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BRITISH JEWS MUST RAISE £400,000 THIS YEAR

New Appeal for Refugees

"This meeting of Anglo-Jewry expresses its deep appreciation of the Government's offer to provide financial assistance for the voluntary organisations to carry on their work on behalf of the victims of Nazi oppression, and pledges itself to make every endeavour to collect the funds required to enable the voluntary organisations to take full advantage of that offer."

This resolution was carried unanimously at a meeting at which all communal interests were represented. It was held in the Rose Hertz Hall at Woburn House, Upper Woburn Place, London, W.C., on Tuesday afternoon, and marked the launching of a new appeal for the refugees.

The reasons for the appeal, and the story—a most interesting one—of the behind-the-scenes negotiations were told by Mr. Anthony de Rothschild. He acted as Chairman in the place of Lord Reading, who is the Chairman of the Central Council for Jewish Refugees, the body which convened the meeting.

It became apparent in the early part of last summer, said Mr. de Rothschild, that the funds of the Council were running low, and that it could not continue without appealing to the Community. It was found impossible at short notice to launch an effective appeal, and therefore a sum of over £100,000 was collected last July from a small group of well-wishers to tide the Council over. This sum was to form the nucleus of a larger appeal which was to be made later in the year. The war stopped that, and the Council were faced with a very difficult situation in which there seemed to be no choice but to let the refugees fall on the Public Assistance authorities. That possibility was viewed with consternation.

The Council finally concluded, he went on, that they must consult the Government. They did so; and found it very difficult to make them understand the position. It was not believed that "the wealthy Jewish Community" could not find any more funds, though the Home Secretary has now stated that private individuals (mainly Jews) have already raised over eight million pounds for the refugees. There was dismay, however, at the possibility of the voluntary organisations having to close down, and it was admitted that it would be very difficult to get on without them.

Invaluable Christian Help

The problem still remained of convincing the Government that they were short of funds; and it was then that the Christian Council for Refugees stepped in. That body gave them a substantial loan, which, when the Government heard of it, gave them reason to believe that the Jewish Council was at the end of its resources. The Jewish and Christian Councils then made joint representations to the Government. Mr. de Rothschild paid the fullest tribute to the assistance given by the Christian Council.

"I wish I could do justice," he said, "to the effective eloquence with which the Rev. Mr. Carter (the Chairman of the Christian Council) pleaded our cause." He told the Government that he spoke as the representative of the Christian Churches of England and Scotland in making the appeal on behalf of the Jewish Council. "Those words went right home," Mr. de Rothschild commented. Mr. Carter went on to tell the Government that the churches throughout the country were in touch with public opinion, and he was convinced that there was a consensus which would support the Government in any action they thought fit

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FRENCH JEWRY JOINS UP

Practically All Able-Bodied Men in Uniform

At least 60,000 Jews are serving in the French Army, including the Foreign Legion, and the Polish and Czech Legions in France, says the League for Combating Anti-Semitism.

The League, which is reported to have obtained special permission from the French military authorities to publish these figures, adds that 10,000 French Jews are serving at the front, 20,000 in other parts of France, and 30,000 foreign Jews have voluntarily enlisted in the three Legions.

As the total Jewish population of France, both French-born and immigrant, is estimated to be well under 300,000 including women and children, the figures show that the vast majority of able-bodied Jews in France have joined up.

The statement includes a list of French Jews who have been decorated for bravery, or were wounded or killed in action.

An announcement issued last week by the Ministry of the Interior calling up stateless and political refugees for active service is expected to add several more thousand Jews to the ranks of the French Army.

GERMAN ARMY CHIEFS' ALARM IN POLAND

Looting and Outrage Ruin Troops' Morale

MILITARY versus GESTAPO

The horrors of the Nazi occupation of Poland—the beating and torturing of prisoners, the shooting down of innocent men, women, and even children, the introduction of forced labour, and, above all, the maltreatment of women by the Nazi soldiery and the Gestapo—have aroused public opinion in neutral countries and have led to vigorous protests. One of these, that of the Vatican, has attracted international repercussions. As a result, the Nazi Press and wireless have felt obliged to deal with the protests and to comment upon the conduct of the Nazi army in Poland.

It is now rumoured that under general pressure the Nazi Government has decided to send a delegation to Poland to investigate the charges and to submit a report.

It is claimed by the anti-Nazi "Freedom" transmitter that the appointment of the committee is due not so much to the protests of the Vatican and of the foreign Press as to the fact that leading German army officers were in favour of such investigation.

No Humanitarian Scruples

For it appears that the higher German military authorities are not at all pleased with the existence of the Nazi terror, which is generally carried on by the Gestapo agents, often against the wishes of the military command. The reason for their displeasure is not due to humanitarian scruples but to the fact that the terror has a most demoralising effect on the German Army. By permitting German soldiers to participate in pogroms, to loot Jewish homes, and outrage Jewish women, army discipline has been badly undermined. Looting and outrages have become part of the soldiers' life. The German General Staff would like to see the power of the Gestapo curbed, at least within the Army, and they hope that the report of the investigation committee will achieve this end.

WORLD'S YOUNGEST CHIEF RABBI

Dr. Safran Appointed in Rumania

Rumanian Jewry can now boast of having the youngest Chief Rabbi in the world. He is Dr. Alexander Safran, aged thirty, formerly Rabbi of Bacau, and he was this week elected to his office, out of eight candidates, succeeding the late Dr. Niemirower.

Dr. Safran, who is married and has one child, was born in Moldavia. He graduated in theology and philosophy at Vienna University and the Rabbinical College of Vienna, and became Rabbi of Bacau three years ago. He is a member of the Mizrachi Organisation, which he represented at the last two Zionist Congresses.

The new Chief Rabbi will represent the Jewish religious Community in the Senate, where he will be the second youngest member, Crown Prince Michael being his junior.

SWISS BAN ON "THE JEWISH CHRONICLE"

The Swiss censorship authorities have refused entry into the country to several issues of The Jewish Chronicle. The reason given is that certain articles contained in them were contrary to Federal measures for the maintenance of neutrality.

Most of the articles in question dealt with the Nazi atrocities in Poland. One of them was the review of Dr. Rauschning's new book, "Hitler Speaks," an intimate picture of the Führer in his more unguarded moments.

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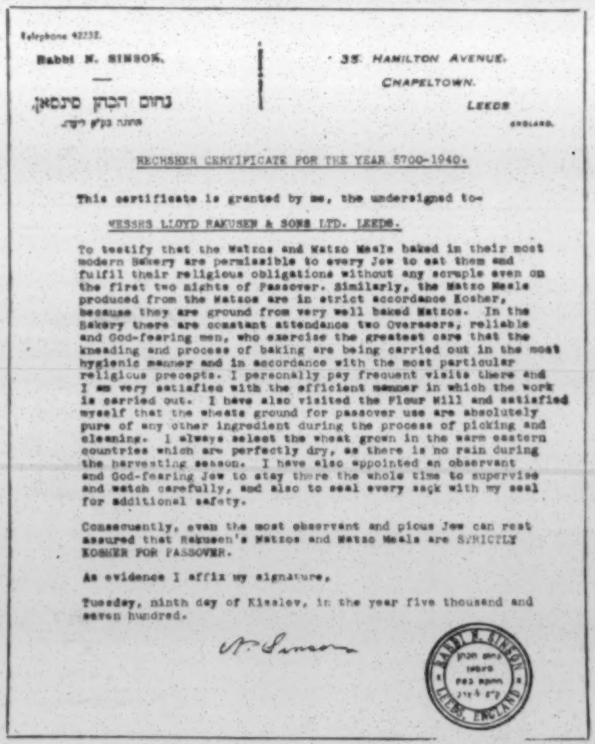

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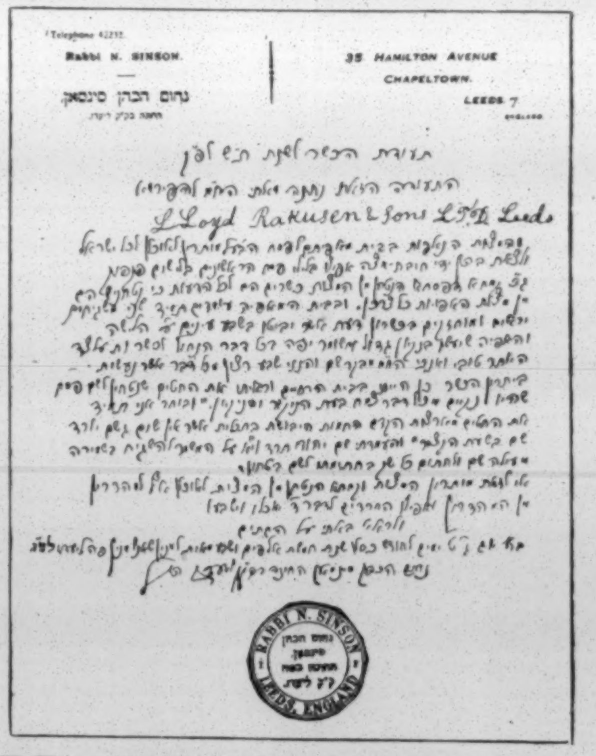

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BIRTHS

COHEN.—On Wednesday, Jan. 31, 1940, to Mr. and Mrs. Dan. Cohen (Doris Newman), a daughter, Iris.—4, Beaufort-drive, N.W.11.

DYMOND.—On Feb. 2, 1940, at Sefton Nursing Home, High Wycombe, to Minnie, wife of Dr. Leslie S. Dymond, Cape House, Harrow-road, Wembley, a daughter.

FISHER.—On Monday, Jan. 29, 1940, to Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Fisher (Millie Gluckstein), of 146, Lordship-road, N.16, a daughter, Marilyn.—121, Mullway, Letchworth, Herts.

JANKEL.—On Feb. 1, 1940, at 2, Windsor-road, N.3, to Hélène (née Wigdortchik), wife of Alex. Jankel, a daughter.

ROSE.—On Feb. 4, 1940, to René (née Watts), wife of Aubrey Rose, of 52, Armitage-road, Golders Green, a son.

SOSKIN.—On Jan. 30, 1940, to Mr. and Mrs. M. G. Roskin (Renée Beloff), a son.—Red Hills Farm, Toddington, Beds.

BARMITZVAH

BENDEL.—Geoffrey Paul, younger son of Mr. and Mrs. S. Bendel, Kingsmere Lodge, 78a, King's-avenue, Clapham Park, S.W.4, will read Maftir and Haftara at Whittingehame College, Surrenden-road, Preston Park, Brighton, on Saturday, Feb. 17, 1940. Relatives and friends please accept this as the only intimation.

NEWMAN.—Jack, elder son of Mr. and Mrs. I. Newman, of 22, Wilson-road, Sheffield, 11, will read a portion of the Law at the Central Synagogue, Campo-lane, on Sabbath, Feb. 17, 1940. A reception will be held in the Synagogue Rooms after the service. Will friends and relatives please accept this as the only intimation.

Barmitzvah—*(Continued)*

SINGER.—Edwin (Bobby), only son of Mr. and Mrs. A. Singer, of 58, Milverton-road, London, N.W.6, will read Maftir and Haftara on Saturday, Feb. 17, 1940, at the Hove Synagogue, Holland-road. Relatives and friends please accept this as the only intimation. Temporary address: 227, Saltdean-vale, The Mount, Saltdean, Sussex.

ENGAGEMENTS

ASH : BROWN.—Beaty, youngest daughter of Mrs. I. Ash and the late Mr. I. Ash, of 81, Stocks-street, Manchester, 8, to Albert, only son of Mr. and Mrs. H. Brown, 25, Agecroft-road East, Prestwich.

COHEN : SCHNEIDER.—Ray, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. B. Cohen, of 418, Roman-road, E.3, to Percy, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. I. Schneider, of 50, Dynevor-road, N.16.

MORGENSTERN : MILLER.—Jack, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Morgenstern, 1, Wren-avenue, N.W.2, to Peggy, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. Miller, 14, Alberon-gardens, N.W.11, and 1, Royal-crescent, Brighton.

SCHLEICHER : MORRIS. — Sadie (Susie), youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. Schleicher, 49, Beechwood-avenue, Finchley, N.3, to Maurice (Monty), only child of Mr. and Mrs. J. Morris, 47, Ballards-lane, Finchley, N.3, and 35, Camden High-street, N.W.1.

ZELTZER : JONAS.—Anne, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. Zeltzer, 71, Preston-hill, Kingsbury, to Sydney, eldest son of Mrs. J. Jonas and the late Michael Jonas, 28, Cazenove-road, Stamford Hill, N.16.

Mr. E. Stein, 38, Keyes-road, N.W.2, announces that the engagement of his daughter "Dolly" to Mr. Julius Stein is cancelled.

FORTHCOMING MARRIAGES

GOLDSTEIN : SCHNEIDER.—The marriage will be solemnised on Sunday, Feb. 11, 1940, of Natt., son of Mr. I. Goldstein, and the late Mrs. Goldstein, of 107, Sidney-street, E.1, to "Debbie," younger daughter of Mr. and Mrs. I. Schneider, of 50, Dynevor-road, N.16, at 3.30 p.m., at Jubilee-street Great Synagogue, E.1.

SILVER WEDDINGS

GELLER : GRANARD.—On Feb 14, 1915, at the Portsmouth Synagogue, by the Revs. I. Phillips and M. Levenberg, Arthur Geller to Phoebe Granard.—1, Kenton Park-mansions, Kenton, Middlesex.

GOLDEN WEDDING.

LEVI : FREEDMAN.—On Feb. 12, 1890, at Penygraig, Rhondda, Jacob Levi to Leah Freedman.—172, Cathedral-road, Cardiff.

DEATHS

AARONS.—On Feb. 5, 1940, Angel Aarons, husband of Sophie, father of Mrs. Kitty Hope.

ABRAHAMS.—On Saturday, Shevat 24, the Rev. H. Abrahams. Deeply mourned by his beloved wife, sons Herbert and Alfred, sister Ellen, and the Rev. M. Cohen, Leeds, and cousins, the Rev. D. and Mrs. Caplan and family, Blackpool.—91, Zetland-street, Southport.

BERTISH.—On Feb. 2, 1940, suddenly, at Cape Town, Hyam, in his 64th year. Dearly loved husband of Daisy.

CABB.—On Jan. 31, 1940, 302, Edward-road, Birmingham, Eva Cabb. Deeply mourned by her sorrowing husband, daughters, sons, son-in-law, sisters, and brothers. May her dear soul rest in everlasting peace.

COLLINS.—On Jan. 31, 1940, suddenly, at Meads Lodge, Gosforth, Newcastle-on-Tyne, Abraham, beloved husband of Ida, father of Henry and Clifford, and brother of Isaac. Deeply mourned.

Deaths—*(Continued)*

COHEN.—On Feb. 1, 1940, at 3, Mina-street, Llanelly, Annie Selina Cohen, aged 78, wife of the late Lewis Cohen, of Cardiff, passed peacefully away. The dearly beloved mother of Sarah Green, Harry Cohen, Llanelly; Maurice Cohen Milly Schwartz, Cardiff; Rosie Shipman, Merthyr; Rae Swalbe, Manchester; Solomon Cohen, London; "Billy" Cohen, Cardiff; and Sophie Cohen, Jersey. Mourned also by daughters-in-law, sons-in-law, grandchildren, relatives, and friends. Sadly missed. May her sweet soul rest in everlasting peace.

COHEN.—On Thursday, Feb. 1, 1940, at Llanelly, Mrs. Lewis Cohen, dearly beloved grandmother of Lily and Kenneth Bloom, of Cardiff.

COLLINS. — On Feb. 2, 1940, in his 70th year, Morris Collins, dearly beloved husband of Millie. Deeply mourned by his heartbroken sons Albert, Samuel, Leonard, and Bernard, and daughter Sadie, son-in-law Jack, daughters-in-law, and grandchildren Jacqueline and Valerie.—33, Osborn-street, E.1. American papers, please copy.

DAVIS.—On Feb. 4, 1940, Hyman (Haskel) Davis (late of Mare-street, Hackney), aged 69, passed away suddenly. Deeply mourned by his dear children Louis, Fay, Reggie, Sally, Frank, Oscar, and Simon, his son-in-law Alf, daughters-in-law Hetty and Lilly, grandchildren, and Mechutanim. May his soul rest in eternal peace. — Shiva at 58, Moresby-road, Clapton, E.5, terminating Monday morning.

DAVIS.—On Feb. 4, 1940, Hyman Davis. Deeply mourned by his daughter Fay, son-in-law Alf, grandchildren Laurie, Joyce, and Michael. May his dear soul rest in peace. —33, Oxford-street, Burnham-on-Sea, Somerset.

DAVIS.—On Feb. 4, 1940, Hyman Davis. Deeply mourned by his son Reggie, daughter-in-law Hetty, and grandchild Helen. May his dear soul rest in peace. — 35, Eaton-court, Hove, 3.

DAVIS.—On Feb. 4, 1940, Hyman Davis. Deeply mourned by his son Oscar, daughter-in-law Lilly, grandchildren Rhoda and Brian. May his soul rest in peace. — 58, Moresby-road, Clapton, E.5.

FOGAL. — On Jan. 28, 1940, at 49, Mexborough-street, Leeds, Betsy, beloved wife of Barnet Fogal. Mourned by her heartbroken husband, children, sons-in-law, daughters-in-law, and grandchildren. May her dear soul rest in peace.

FRANKLIN.—On Jan. 30, 1940, at Bournemouth, Edith, widow of the late Sam. Franklin and eldest daughter of the late Julius and Phoebe Frankenburg, of Glasgow.

GOLDBERG.—On Jan. 23, 1940, peacefully, after long suffering, Phillip Goldberg, aged 72 years. Sadly mourned by his sorrowing wife, sons, daughters, sons-in-law, daughters-in-law, sisters, brothers-in-law, sisters-in-law, grandchildren, Mechutanim, and a large circle of friends. May his dear soul rest in peace. —25, Grange-avenue, Leeds, 7.

GOLDSTEIN.—On Jan. 31, 1940, Hinda, beloved wife of the late Reuben Goldstein. Deeply mourned by her daughter, Mrs. Syd. Morris, Leeds, and her sons, Louis Goldstein, Middlesbrough, and Ben. Goldstein, Leeds; also by her son-in-law, daughters-in-law, and grandchildren.—196, Newport-road, Middlesbrough.

HADIDA.—On Monday, Feb. 5, 1940, Rachel Hadida, in her 84th year, sister of Mr. J. Hyman, 8, Wilbury-road, Woking, and mother of Mrs. M. Palache and Mr. J. Hadida, of 10, Wheatsheaf-close, Woking.

HART.—On כ״ו שבט Monday, Feb. 5, 1940, at 9, Manor-parade, Stoke Newington, N.16, in his 50th year, Louis Hart (late of Fulham Palace-road, W.6). Devoted husband of Louisa (née Chiswick). Deeply mourned by his daughters, Ruth and Pauline, son-in-law, Jack Cohen, granddaughter, Estelle Judith, parents-in-law, brothers, sister, brothers-in-law, sisters-in-law, relatives, and friends. May his dear soul rest in peace.

Deaths—*(Continued)*

HART.—On Monday, Feb. 5, 1940, Louis, eldest son-in-law of Mr. and Mrs. A. Chiswick, of 32, Colvestone-crescent, E.8. Mourned by his parents-in-law, brothers-in-law, sisters-in-law, nephews, and nieces.

HEILBRON.—On Jan. 28, 1940, at 4, Redington-court, Wilbury-road, Hove, Sussex, Solomon Jacob Heilbron, aged 86, the dearly loved husband of Edith and dear father of "Teddy," Howard, and Lucie.

HERSON.—On Saturday, Feb. 3, 1940, Eva, dearly beloved wife of Solomon Herson. Deeply mourned by her sorrowing husband, her daughters Frances, Esther, and sons Arthur and Ralph, her daughter-in-law, sons-in-law, grandchildren, relatives, and friends. May her dear soul rest in peace.—28, Leweston-place, N.16.

HERSON. — On Saturday, Feb. 3, 1940, Eva Herson, dearly beloved mother of Frances Geller. Deeply mourned by her daughter, son-in-law, and her grandchildren Barbara and Kenneth.

HYAM.—On Feb. 2, 1940, in her 80th year, Selina, widow of Barnett Hyam (daughter of the late Nathan Hope and dear sister of Mrs. Honoria Lewis, of Manchester). Beloved mother of Michael, Herbert, Bertha, Sydney, Leopold, and Coralie. Sadly missed by her children, daughters-in-law, grandchildren, nephews, and nieces. ת׳נ׳צ׳ב׳ה. —27, Cheltenham-avenue, Liverpool, 17.

HYMAN.—On February 1, 1940, our darling mother, Amelia (Milly) Hyman, of 280, Clapham-road, S.W.9. Devoted wife of the late Aaron (Harry) Hyman.

HYMAN.—On Feb. 1, 1940, Amelia (Milly) Hyman, devoted sister of Celia, Nathan, Abraham (Bobby) and Rose Moses, 3, Boundaries-mansions, S.W.12.

ISAACS.—On Jan. 24, 1940, at Grimsby, Michalisky Isaacs. Deeply mourned by his sister Annie Robinson, of Nottingham, and his nephews and nieces.

JOSEPH.—On Tuesday, Shevat 27, 5700 (Feb. 6, 1940), Rose, widow of the late Nathan Joseph, of 44, Josephine-avenue, Brixton, S.W.2. Deeply mourned by her sons, daughters, sons-in-law, daughters-in-law, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren. May her dear soul rest in everlasting peace. Shiva at above address.

KULP.—On Monday, Feb. 5, 1940, Mark Kulp, aged 79, dear husband of Isabella Kulp. Deeply mourned. May his dear soul rest in peace.—27, Third-avenue, Hove.

KULP.—On Feb. 5, 1940, Mark Kulp, the beloved brother of Alice, Rose, Jack, Mrs. Lewis, and Mrs. Bolchin.—4, Sillwood-road, Brighton.

LAZARUS.—On Jan. 19, 1940, Beatrice Lazarus, beloved wife of John L. Lazarus, of Acklam-road, Middlesbrough. Deeply mourned by her husband and family. May her dear soul rest in peace.

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Deaths—(*Continued*)

LEISEROWITZ.—On Jan. 27, 1940, Sarah, widow of Rabbi Leiserowitz. Deeply mourned by her daughters, Mrs. Kutzinski, Mrs. Hovsha, Lina Leiserowitz, her son R. Lessing, granddaughter, Annie, and grandson, Harry. Never to be forgotten.

MARTELL.—On Saturday, Feb. 3, 1940, Annie Martell passed away peacefully. Sadly missed by her sons, Morris and Hyman, daughter, Mary, daughters-in-law, son-in-law, grandchildren, sister, Mary, relatives, and friends. May her dear soul rest in peace. Shiva at 285, Navarino-mansions, Dalston-lane, E.8.

PALESTRANDT.—On Feb. 1, 1940 (Shevat 22, 5700), Leah Rivke, widow of the late Barnett Palestrandt, dearly beloved mother of Annie, Joe, Abe, and Cissie. Deeply mourned by her sorrowing brother, sons and daughters, son-in-law, daughter-in-law, grandchildren, and friends.—126, Elizabeth-street, Manchester, 8. American and foreign papers, please copy.

PALESTRANDT.—On Feb. 1, 1940, Leah Rivke Palestrandt. Deeply mourned by her sorrowing daughter Annie, son-in-law Joe, and grandchildren. May her dear soul rest in peace.—52, Elizabeth-street, Manchester, 8.

PALESTRANDT.—On Shevat 22, 5700, Leah Palestrandt, dearly beloved mother of Abe. Sadly missed by her heartbroken son and daughter-in-law Mae.—28, Lytton-avenue, Manchester, 8.

PALESTRANDT. — On Feb. 1, 1940, Leah Palestrandt. Mourned by Hetty, 123, Bury Old-road, Prestwich.

PEARL.—Fell peacefully asleep on Feb. 2, 1940, Polly, dearly beloved wife of Morris and devoted mother of Fred, Alf, Ruth, and Nan, after illness so courageously borne. Deeply mourned by her heartbroken husband, sons, daughters, son-in-law, daughter-in-law, grandchildren, brothers, sisters, relatives and friends. May her dear soul rest in peace.—29, Barnsbury-street, Islington, N.1.

ROSENTHAL.—On Feb. 4, 1940, Moss Rosenthal, beloved husband of Gertrude. Deeply mourned by his wife, sons, daughter, daughter-in-law, and grandson. May his dear soul rest in peace.—37, Oakfield-road, Newcastle-upon-Tyne, 3.

ROSKIN.—On Jan. 31, 1940, at 94, Shakespeare-street, Nottingham, Nathaniel Roskin. Deeply mourned by his devoted wife, Lily, children, Muriel and Eric, sisters, Annie, Deborah, Irene, and brother, Bertie. At rest.

SHACHTER.—On Sunday, Feb. 4, 1940 (Shevat 25), Nathan Shachter. Deeply mourned by his sorrowing wife, son, daughters, brother, sisters, relatives, and friends. —99, Bellott-street, Manchester.

SHELOWER.—On Feb. 1, 1940, Polly, aged 56, beloved wife of Barnet Shelower, "Haslemere," The Walk, Merthyr. Deeply mourned by her husband, children, daughter-in-law, son-in-law, grandchild, relatives and friends. God rest her soul.

SHERVITCH.—On Jan. 31, 1940, at Brighton, Rose, dearly loved wife of Daniel Shervitch, in her 63rd year. Deeply mourned by her sorrowing husband, sons, Louis and Maurice, daughters, Hettie Silverman and Eve Blumenstein, daughter-in-law, sons-in-law, grandchildren, relatives, and friends.—19, Carlton-mansions, N.16.

SHINBERG.—On Feb. 4, 1940, Mark Shinberg, in his 80th year, husband of the late Leah Shinberg. Deeply mourned by his daughter Rose, sons, Louis, Julius, Emmanuel and Jack, son-in-law and daughters-in-law, grandchildren and great-grandchildren, relatives and friends.—4, The Green, Bentcliffe-avenue, Leeds.

SLANN. — On Tuesday, Jan. 30, 1940—כ״ שבט ת״ש, Harris Benjamin Slann, of 440, Ecclesall-road, Sheffield, dearly beloved husband of Eva and darling father of Annie, Ada, Mendie, Phillip, Dora, Fannie. Mourned by son-in-law Leon, daughters-in-law and darling grandchildren. May our darling "Dad" sleep in peace. Gone but never to be forgotten. ת׳נ׳צ׳ב׳ה.

SMITH.—On Jan. 28, 1940, Harry Smith, at the residence of his sister, 167, Cliftonpark-avenue, Belfast. Deeply mourned by his sisters, brothers, and families. Sadly missed by all. God rest his soul.

SPUNGIN.—On Jan. 31, 1940, at 122, Portland-road, Nottingham, Nathan Spungin, beloved husband of Marie and dearly loved father of Rose, Dora, Joseph, and Louis, father-in-law of David and Alice, and "Grandpa" of Michael. Deeply mourned.

YANKELEVITCH.—On Wednesday, Feb. 7, 1940, Harris Yankelevitch. Deeply mourned by his sorrowing wife, children, sons-in-law, daughter-in-law, grandchildren.—Shiva at 3, Northfield-road, N.16.

In last week's death announcement of Mrs. Paikin, of 182, Whitechapel-road, the name of Isadore, her eldest brother, was erroneously omitted.

IN MEMORIAM

BLAIVAS.—In loving memory of my mother. —Dorie.

COHEN.—In affectionate memory of "Mim" Cohen (née Seigal), who passed away Feb. 8, 1939. Always in our hearts.—Bet., Phil., and Freda, "Genbower," Wilton, Cork.

FISHMAN. — In loving and cherished memory of our adored darling Ray Fishman, late of 38, Ravensdale-road, Stamford Hill, who departed this life so suddenly on Feb. 5, 1938 (Adar 4, 5698). Ever deeply mourned and sadly missed by her broken-hearted mother, brothers, and sister Rose. Her memory is as dear to-day as in the hour she passed away. Rest in peace. —20, Chessington - court, Finchley, N.3.

FREEMAN.—Sweet memories of our precious only son and brother, Mark Leslie Freeman, who fell asleep on Feb. 5, 1934 (Shevat 20, 5694), at the age of 6 years and 3 months. In God's garden. Six years are but as yesterday, and not a day without its treasured memories. Never forgotten by his broken-hearted "Mum," "Dad," and adored sister Frances.—44, Carlton-mansions, Holmleigh-road, N.16.

GARFIELD.—In sacred memory of our darling son Jack, who was called away so suddenly on Feb. 7, 1939 (Shevat 18, 5699). Treasured thoughts of him are always in the hearts of his devoted "Mum," "Dad," Elsie, and Nettie.—150, Clapton-common, E.5.

Terribly missed and daily in my thoughts. May my sweetheart rest in peace.—Fiancée, Sybil Eisner.

GOLDSTEIN.—In fond memory of our dearly loved cousin, Maurice Goldstein, who passed away February 25, 1930. Always in our thoughts.—Sidney, Saidie and Philip.

GOLDSTEIN.—In loving memory of my dear husband and father, Solomon Goldstein, who passed away Adar 5, 5693—March 3, 1933. God rest his dear soul in peace.—Kate Goldstein and David, Upton, Fulmer, Bucks.

GOODMAN.—In cherished and unfading memory of our dear husband and father, Mark Goodman. For ever in our thoughts. —30, Brook-lodge, N.W.11.

GREEN.—In ever loving and affectionate memory of our dear husband and father, Joseph Green, who passed away March 2, 1922. Sadly missed by his sorrowing wife, sons, daughters, sons-in-law, daughters-in-law, and grandchildren. God rest his dear soul in peace. — "Alpina," Holly - park, Crouch Hill. Late of 28, Clapton-common.

JOEL.—In tenderly cherished memory of our darling father, Daniel Joel, whom God called to join our beloved mother Feb. 15, 1931. Our devoted parents. So dearly loved. Ever in our thoughts.—Lizzie and Julia, 8, Minster-road, Brondesbury.

SIMSON.—In cherished memory of our beloved parents Bertha and Moses. God rest their dear souls. We shall never forget.

MEMORIAL STONES

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 11

DANIELS.—The tombstone in ever loving memory of the late Mrs. Rachel Lily Daniels will be consecrated at Edmonton Cemetery on Sunday, February 11, 1940, at 1.30 p.m.

SAMUELS.—The memorial in ever loving memory of the late Mrs. Kate Samuels will be consecrated on Sunday, Feb. 11, 1940, at 3 p.m. at East Ham Cemetery. No cards.—11, Windsor-road, E.7.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 18

JACOBS.—The tombstone in loving memory of the late Nathan Jacobs (Warden, Great Alie-street Synagogue) will be consecrated on Sunday, Feb. 18, 1940, at 11 a.m., at the Willesden Cemetery.

PERSONAL

Mrs. S. Carr, Liverpool, **son, daughters, brothers, and sisters** of the late Mr. Samuel Carr thank relatives and friends for visits and sympathy in their sad bereavement.

Mr. M. Daniels and Mrs. A. Harris, of 40, Chatsworth-road, St. Annes-on-Sea, thank their relatives and numerous friends for the letters of condolence in their sad bereavement. They thank also the Minister and members of the St. Annes Hebrew Congregation.

The relatives of the late Mr. Simon (Jim) Harris thank friends for their kind visits and letters of sympathy received during their week of mourning. — 38, Neeld-crescent, Hendon.

Personal—(*Continued*)

Mr. Leo. and Mr. Pierre Gildesgame wish to express their sincere thanks to all their friends and to the various organisations with which they have the privilege to be associated for the messages of sympathy and condolence sent to them on the death of their beloved and revered mother, Deborah Hildesheim-Gildesgame, in Warsaw. They hope this expression of thanks will be accepted by all friends, as it will be some time before the many communications can be replied to individually.

Mr. J. Isaacs, Mrs. Lewin (Levinstein), and **Mrs. Kay** thank their relatives and friends for kind visits and letters of sympathy in their recent sad bereavement.

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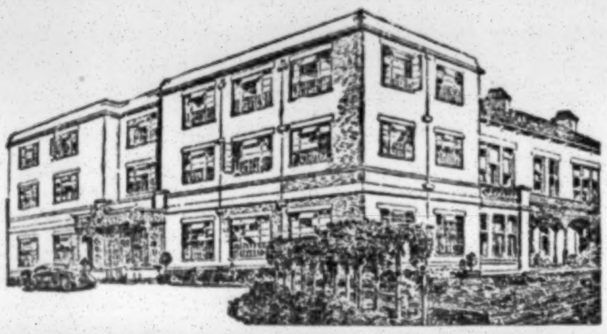

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NEW FUND FOR REFUGEES

to help the refugees. It was largely owing to that Christian assistance that they were able to secure the offer from the Government.

Details—which appear in other columns of this paper—were then given of the Government grant and of the new machinery which has to be set up.

Mr. de Rothschild, who is a Joint Chairman of the Appeal, and Mr. Lionel M. Cohen, K.C., a Joint Chairman of the Appeal Executive, explained what steps the Council were taking to enable Jewry to play its part in raising the amount necessary.

As explained elsewhere in this issue, the Government grant is equal to only half the amount the voluntary organisations need. The Council has accordingly made a budget of £400,000 for 1940. That is the sum which the Jewish Community will have to raise if they do not wish to allow the refugees to come on to Public Assistance.

England and Palestine

Of the first £350,000, £275,000 is to be spent on the refugees in England; and £75,000 is to be devoted to the Keren Hayesod and the refugees in Palestine who are the victims of Nazi oppression. Any excess is to be held at the free disposal of the Council. The Keren Hayesod is to be paid £3,500 per month as from the first of January; the balance of the £75,000 is to be paid as and when cash is available, after providing £275,000 for the refugees in England. There is to be no earmarking of contributions.

The Keren Hayesod is paying all the expenses of the appeal, including the bringing of experts from Palestine to stimulate interest and to organise local effort.

It is clear that owing to evacuation and the general restrictions imposed by the war, peculiar difficulties are presented in the new campaign. The Council has therefor divided the country into eight sections, to which it is to send its representatives to assist the local committees. In London, which is to be treated separately, work is to be done, as in the past, through the Synagogues, the Trade Committees, and the Friendly Societies. A few of the more fortunate refugees are also to be approached. A preliminary list of approximately £120,000 is already available. Mr. Israel Cohen has volunteered his services, and the Jewish Youth Institute, with its affiliated bodies, is co-operating.

A Warning to the Community

All speakers—and they included Messrs. Simon Marks, a Joint Chairman of the Appeal, and I.M. Sieff, a Joint Chairman of the Appeal Executive—emphasised that a challenge had been made to the Jewish Community. Mr. Marks said he felt strongly that the Community could not allow the refugees to become a charge on the local authorities.

Professor Selig Brodetsky, the President of the Board of Deputies, summed up the position when he said that the Nazis would like nothing better than to cause a breakdown of Jewish morale.

HOW GOVERNMENT'S GRANT WILL WORK

Stimulus to Voluntary Effort

The British Government has not taken upon itself the responsibility for supporting the refugees in this country. That is still the duty of the voluntary organisations.

This is the first lesson, writes a JEWISH CHRONICLE representative, to be drawn from the historic statement regarding the assistance to be given to the refugees, which was made in the House of Commons on Thursday of last week by Sir John Anderson, the Home Secretary. [The full statement appears under "Parliament" on page 8.]

It is not true to say, as certain malicious tongues and poison pens are already actively doing, that the refugees "are already another burden on the shoulders of the taxpayer." Sir John Anderson made it clear that the Government assistance is designed "to supplement the voluntary effort," and that "the intention of the Government is that the assistance which it is giving shall be *a stimulus* to the continuation of the voluntary aid in money, kind, and hospitality, and not least in service."

That this is so is clear from two things: first, from the nature of the Government assistance, secondly, from the special appeal that has been launched by the voluntary organisations this week.

The Government are to make a grant of not more than £27,000 a month on the average, for a period of six months from January 1 of this year, this sum to be reviewed at the end of three months. The money is not to be paid directly to the voluntary organisations but to a special committee—a patronage body—which will be responsible for seeing that the money is spent economically and efficiently.

The voluntary organisations which have set up this Committee have, I am told, invited Sir Herbert Emerson, the High Commissioner for Refugees Coming under the League of Nations, to be Chairman. Other members are likely to be Sir Neil Malcolm, Sir Herbert's predecessor as High Commissioner, Mr. David Grenville, M.P., Miss Eleanor Rathbone, M.P., and Professor Edith Morley, of Reading University. There will also be representatives of all the Christian Churches and of the Jewish Community.

Allocation

This body will allocate money to the Jewish Council, the Christian Council, independent refugee organisations, such as the Austrian Centre, and to academic and similar bodies, such as the International Student Service. The day-by-day work of the voluntary organisations will be carried on by them as heretofore.

Thus this grant differs entirely from that given to, for instance, the Czech refugees. In that case, the Government appointed a number of Trustees to administer the Fund, and also an Advisory Committee to advise the Trustees on matters in connection with the administration of the Trust. This new grant may be described as a contingent grant. Its nature and amount will in future depend on the amount of voluntary assistance that is given to the refugees.

I would point out that this Government grant is regarded by the refugee organisations as "a debt of honour"; and that an exact amount has to be found through private channels. The Government assistance is equal only to half the expenditure incurred by the voluntary organisations. It will therefore be necessary for the public to contribute £324,000 a year.

Tribute to Private Organisation

In reply to my question as to whether the Government will now directly intervene in the work of the voluntary organisations, I was told that the contrary was more likely to be true. "This assistance," a refugee official said to me, "is a tribute—and a high one—to the efficiency of the voluntary organisations." There are about 300 refugee committees in the United Kingdom. All were self-appointed, and all started with the same humanitarian desire to relieve distress. The Government, it was emphasised, has made this gesture to the voluntary organisations, to help them to continue the fine work they have been doing.

What is remarkable is the degree to which these bodies have co-operated. Every organisation gives a strict definition of the people whom it is prepared to assist; but every organisation stretches these rules. Jewish organisations deal with Christian cases, and *vice versa.*

It is worth, as a final word, drawing special attention to what has been made public for the first time: viz., that not less than eight million pounds has come out of the pockets of individuals in this country during the last seven years to help the refugees. This could not have been done without great generosity on the part of a certain number of wealthy people; nor could it have been done without equal generosity on the part of many thousands of ordinary citizens in all parts of Great Britain.

ALASKA AND SAN DOMINGO

Progress in Settlement Schemes

The State Department of the United States of America is now considering a Bill to open Alaska to refugee immigration and will report its findings to the House Committee on Immigration shortly.

The formal contract between the Dominican Republic and the American-organised Dominican Settlement Corporation for the colonisation of German-Jewish refugees in San Domingo has been signed. Ex-President Trujillo has given his 24,000-acre estate "Sosua" for the settlement. The ratification of the contract by the Dominican Government as well as its implementation by special laws is expected within a month.

MR. MORRIS TROPER'S TOUR

Discussions in Europe

Mr. Morris C. Troper, Chairman of the European Executive Council of the "Joint," who has spent a few days in Switzerland, had consultations with Mr. Saly Meier, President of the Union of Jewish Communities in Switzerland, about the problem of facilitating emigration. Mr. Troper also had conferences with the representatives of the International Red Cross, with whom he discussed the problem of providing relief for Jews in Poland.

He left for Budapest via Milan and Zagreb. In Milan, he is consulting the Italian Jewish Refugee Committee and in Zagreb the Yugoslav Refugee Committee. In Budapest, he will have conferences with representatives of the "Joint" from the neighbouring countries.

The "Joint" office in Warsaw is providing relief to about 50,000 Jews daily.

FIFTY CHILDREN FLY

[*From a Correspondent*]

Fifty Jewish child refugees from Poland, bound for Palestine, are not likely to forget their journey for many a year: part of it took the shape of an aeroplane trip by K.L.M. from Copenhagen to Amsterdam.

Faced with the problem of getting the children from Denmark, the Jewish Refugees Committee of Amsterdam approached the Dutch United Travel Bureau, who decided that the only way would be by air. So two Dutch 'planes were chartered and the children, whose ages are from six to twelve, were safely flown to Amsterdam, to their great delight.

They left the same day, by train, for Marseilles, to sail thence to Haifa.

DANUBE VICTIMS MOVE ON

British Colony's Humanity

The 2,300 Jewish refugees who were marooned on four boats in the Rumanian harbour of Sulina have now left for the Bulgarian port of Varna. Their further destination is unknown.

Bucharest Jewish circles have been deeply impressed by the help given by the British colony there to the marooned refugees. A special Ladies' Relief Committee was formed by members of the British colony. The Committee dispatched to Sulina 100 beds and clothing for a number of new-born babies. In addition, 75,000 lei (£136) was collected by the Committee for buying woollen articles. These were distributed by a delegation after a difficult journey to the barge on the frozen Danube.

About one half of the approximately 15,000 Jewish and non-Jewish refugees interned in France since the outbreak of the war have now been released. Many of them have joined the Foreign Legion.

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Parliament

STATE AID FOR REFUGEES

Government Comes to the Rescue

A SIX MONTHS' SCHEME

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SIR JOHN ANDERSON (Home Secretary) gave the following written answer when MR. DANIEL LIPSON (Ind., Cheltenham) asked for a statement on the financial position of the voluntary organisations which are caring for refugees:

As the House knows, most of the refugees were admitted to the United Kingdom with a view to their ultimate emigration overseas, and on the understanding that during their stay in this country they would not be allowed to take employment to the detriment of our own people, and that those who had no resources of their own, or were not being maintained by relatives, would be maintained by voluntary funds.

With a view to promoting overseas settlement, the Prime Minister announced on July 19 last that H.M. Government were prepared, if the Governments of other countries would agree, to propose a scheme for a Government contribution towards the expenses of emigration with a view to encouraging private subscription. The outbreak of war altered the position.

Although emigration has not been discontinued (since September 1, 1,200 refugees have been emigrated, and arrangements are being made to send further parties in the next three months), yet large-scale plans for new settlements have had to be put on one side for the time being.

Refugees Assist the War Effort

Moreover, it is desirable that during the period of the war use should be made of the services of those many refugees who are able and willing to assist in the war effort of this country. Many have volunteered for military service, and suitable applicants are being accepted. Others have special technical experience or skill which can be usefully employed in connection with our production programme and, as already announced, arrangements have been made to enable aliens to take employment for the period of the war, provided their services are directed into channels where there is a shortage of labour and the Ministry of Labour is satisfied that their employment will not displace British workers.

As the demand for workers increases, it is expected that more of the refugees will be absorbed into suitable occupations. Meanwhile there is still a substantial number of men and women who have to be maintained, and the voluntary organisations which have been bearing the financial responsibility have found themselves unable, under war conditions, to meet the whole charge.

It is estimated that since 1933 about £5,000,000 has been spent by these organisations, in addition to sums provided by friends and relatives in individual cases, which are estimated to amount to another £3,000.000, and in addition to the help in kind which has been provided by numerous persons who have given refugees hospitality in their homes.

Supplement to Voluntary Work

In these circumstances, the Government have decided that in this country, as in some other European countries which have given asylum to refugees from Germany, Government assistance should be provided to supplement the voluntary effort.

The voluntary organisations are willing to continue their efforts to raise funds from charitable sources, and the Government are most anxious that any arrangements for a contribution from public funds shall not be regarded as diminishing the need for charitable contributions or transferring the responsibility from the voluntary organisations.

The several voluntary organisations have agreed to appoint a representative committee of experienced persons who will exercise a general oversight over the use by the organisations of the grants made to them, with a view to seeing that the money is spent economically and efficiently; and the Government have agreed to pay to that committee a contribution equal to half the expenditure incurred by the voluntary organisations, provided that such expenditure is approved by the said committee, that the total Government grant does not exceed on the average £27,000 per month, and that the voluntary organisations will do their utmost to ensure that the refugees shall not become a charge on public assistance.

The committee will include some independent members not connected with the voluntary organisations who have had experience of the administration of the social services.

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PARLIAMENT—*continued from previous column*

This scheme will operate for six months from January 1, 1940, but the maximum of £27,000 will be subject to review after the expiration of three months in the light of the numbers then being maintained.

The Government have also agreed to pay to the refugee organisations a retrospective contribution of £100,000, as a contribution towards the expenditure they have incurred during the four months since the beginning of the war.

The intention of the Government is that the assistance which it is giving shall be a stimulus to the continuation of the voluntary aid in money, kind, and hospitality, and not least in service. This assistance will be in the form of a Grant-in-Aid, and, accordingly, a Supplementary Estimate will be necessary and will be presented in the near future. In the meantime, a suitable advance is being made from the Civil Contingencies Fund.

ENLISTMENT OF CZECHS

MR. WILLIAM LEACH (Lab., Bradford, C.) asked the Secretary for War whether he was now prepared to grant freedom of enlistment into the British Army to friendly Czech citizens as well as to Germans and Austrians now in this country.

MR. OLIVER STANLEY: "Under an Order-in-Council issued on 28 September last, any alien may hold a commission or may be entered or enlisted in any of His Majesty's Forces as if he were a British subject. Czecho-Slovakian nationals applying for enlistment are, however, being encouraged to enlist for service in the Czecho-Slovak Legion in France."

Mr. Leach: "I understand there is no order to that effect and it is entirely voluntary. Is that right?"

Mr. Stanley: "That is right."

ANGLO-JEWISH ASSOCIATION

Question of Relief in Poland

NAZI LIE NAILED DOWN BY QUAKERS

Mr. Leonard Stein, the President of the Anglo-Jewish Association, presented the report of the Joint Foreign Committee at a meeting of the Council of the Anglo-Jewish Association at Woburn House last week.

Referring to the question of relief in Poland, Mr. Stein said that neutral bodies, particularly American organisations, had tried to set on foot relief work for the suffering in Poland, but up to the present with very little success. Recently the German wireless broadcast that the German Governor General of Poland, Dr. Frank, had received leaders of the American Quaker Relief Organisation and given them permission to visit any place in Poland. This broadcast statement was strongly denied by the Quakers, who maintained that the Nazis wanted to deprive the relief organisations of the right to supervise the distribution of their funds. Minor help from Belgium and the International Student Service had apparently been given, but the main relief work, that of the American agencies, was still in the stage of negotiation.

Mr. Stein said the time might arrive before very long when it would be possible to tell the Council a little more about the matters referred to in the paragraph of the Joint Foreign Committee's report which read:

> The Committee gave consideration to various suggestions put forward for carrying out the task of compiling material and formulating opinion for presentation to the Authorities at the appropriate time

When the time came he thought the Council would be satisfied that the desire for unity which they all felt had been given effect to by the Joint Foreign Committee in a very practical way.

The report was adopted.

WORLD UNION OF PROGRESSIVE JUDAISM

The Refugee Problem

[COMMUNICATED]

The Executive Committee of the World Union for Progressive Judaism, which met last week in London, reviewed the position of the World Union and its constituents in the light of the conditions created by the war.

The meeting considered the problem of the German-Jewish exiles. Many of them were attached to Liberal Jewish Synagogues in Germany, and they desired to establish their religious life on the same basis in their new homes. In some cases the exiles have already been able to do something for themselves but require help to develop their work. In others they have been unable even to make a beginning because of the lack of leadership. The World Union has received appeals for help for this work from various places as far apart as Buenos Aires and Shanghai. They all express an urgent need for Rabbis.

Another problem dealt with was that of Palestine. As a result of the support given by the World Union, the three Progressive Jewish organisations, in Jerusalem under the leadership of Dr. Wilhelm, in Haifa under the leadership of Dr. Elk, and in Tel-Aviv under the leadership of Dr. Rosenberg, have taken firm root in spite of the strong opposition of the officials of the older community. All three organisations have grown both in numbers and in activities.

The difficulties, however, with which these organisations have been confronted have been aggravated by the war, which has seriously affected the economic condition of Palestinian Jewry. It is hoped, however, that with the assistance of the Central Conference of American Rabbis and through the campaign in the United States headed by Dr. Wohl and supported by Drs. Philipson, Morgenstern, and Freehof and Mr. Goldman, the President of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, the World Union will obtain the funds necessary to give this work adequate support.

SERMON FOR THE WEEK

"The Loaves on the Table"

"And thou shalt set upon the table shewbread before me alway."—Exodus xxv, 30.

What purpose was the showbread on the table in Israel's Tabernacle intended to serve? What was the significance of the table itself, which, together with the Ark and the Lamp and the Altar, formed the most essential part of the equipment of the Tent of Meeting? Was there any real connection between the appurtenances devoted to the service of God in His sanctuary and the table with the loaves of bread intended to satisfy the material needs of man?

The answer to these questions becomes clear when it is realised that Israel's Tabernacle was intended to serve a twofold purpose. It was to provide a dwelling-place for the Spirit of God, where His glory could be seen and His presence felt by the worshippers, but it was also intended to influence the life of the Israelite outside the Sanctuary: to control his conduct in his own home, to inspire him in the performance of his daily duty in his relation to his people, his family, his friends, his neighbours, his fellow-men everywhere. While the Ark and the Lamp and the Altar produced their spiritual effect on the worshipper by reminding him of the Divine Law, by directing his attention to the Divine light of truth, and by impressing upon him the need for sacrifice in God's service, the Table was to remind the Israelite of his duty to sanctify his own home and to satisfy his material needs—to hallow even the eating of bread in the company of the members of his household—in the way prescribed by the teaching of Sinai and practised by successive generations of good and pious men and women in Israel. The loaves on the table testify to all this.

The table must be looked upon as the centre of the home, and the loaves of bread placed upon it on Sabbaths and Festivals are not only to remind us of the showbread in the ancient Tabernacle but to serve as symbols of the meal which is to satisfy those who partake of it in more than one sense. It is when the meal in the family circle acquires a moral, social, and spiritual value that it fulfils the purpose which Jewish teaching ascribes to it. From the earliest times of our history the family gathered round the table in the home on sacred days formed a demonstration of Jewish piety and moral purity, and the meal enjoyed there had frequently the same spiritual effect as a religious service.

Our ancestors knew how to sanctify every act or performance, however simple and natural, and to endow it with a form of religious import which tended to hallow the whole process of life and to give man's earthly activity a lasting value and spiritual significance. The home ceremonial, the ritual at the table, the "Kiddush," the hymns and psalms sung during and after the repast, the presence of strangers, the discussion of questions of Jewish teaching, the respect shown to those learned in the Law and the attention paid to their words—all this helped to give the presence of a Jewish company at table an aspect of spirituality, and to endow the family gatherings with a charm which could not fail to impress the members of a Jewish household and to evoke admiration among the onlookers, even among hostile neighbours. The survival of Judaism is just as much due to this feature of the Jewish home-life as it is due to the Synagogue service and the ritual associated with public worship.

It is well to remember that the neglect of the traditional way of rallying the members of the Jewish family round the festive board may undermine one of the main foundations of the Jewish home and even endanger the existence of Judaism itself. Those who imagine that they fulfil their Jewish duty by attending the services in the Synagogue on the sacred days of the year, even though they neglect the ritual in the home and fail to sanctify the table or to pronounce the traditional blessing over the loaves, are gravely mistaken. The Jewish father who deprives his children of the privilege of listening to the "Kiddush," or of partaking of the sanctified loaf, or of joining in the recital of "grace," denies his offspring something that cannot be replaced by any material pleasure he may afford them or by any thrill or excitement that entertainment outside the home may give them.

In view of the many dangers that are threatening Jewish life to-day, the duty to preserve the Jewish atmosphere of the home and to keep the Jewish family united by the bonds of Jewish tradition is greater and more imperative than ever. In view, also, of the determination of our enemies to destroy Jewish vitality and to assail the existence of the Jew in every land, the strengthening of the Jewish "home front" everywhere must be undertaken as a sacred task, the performance of which cannot be relegated to organisations and institutions, but must be regarded as the inescapable duty and inalienable privilege of every single Jew, wherever he may be. May the God of our fathers give us the will and the strength to perform this noble task worthily and well.

Central Council for Jewish Refugees

APPEAL

The Central Council for Jewish Refugees is making, in special circumstances, a renewed appeal to the Anglo-Jewish Community on behalf of the Jewish Refugees from Nazi oppression.

Since 1933 Anglo-Jewry, in conjunction with the Jewish Communities of the United States and other countries, has made unparalleled efforts. After the pogroms of November 1938, Great Britain, faithful to a noble tradition, opened her gates wider as German persecution was intensified. Many thousands of refugees entered our midst. As a Community we had a special duty towards them, and it was the understanding and the intention that they should steadily and in due course be transferred to permanent homes in other lands.

The War has radically changed the problem. Although some thousands will still be able to emigrate the flow has been obstructed, and, temporarily at least, increasing numbers of refugees who had found work have become unemployed and have had to be maintained by the Council. The Council has found itself charged with a burden beyond its powers, and indeed beyond the unaided powers of the Community.

The situation was brought to the attention of His Majesty's Government by the Central Council together with the Christian Council, and it was appreciated that unless the Government co-operated the refugees must inevitably become a charge on the Public Assistance Authorities. The Government was not less anxious than the Councils to avert so calamitous a conclusion to seven years of devoted service and sacrifice, and to preserve the valuable financial co-operation of the voluntary organisations and the even more important store of expert knowledge, sympathetic understanding and personal service represented by them. The Government has offered to share with the Councils the financial responsibility, an offer which has been gratefully received. We have accepted in the firm faith that the Community, now as in the past, will rise to the height of its duty.

The present appeal is for £400,000, and as before it is being made jointly by the Council and the Keren Hayesod, but on this occasion there will be no earmarking. The greater portion of the fund will necessarily be required to maintain the refugees in this country and to provide for their emigration.

Palestine is, however, also peculiarly the responsibility of Anglo-Jewry, and the war and refugee needs bear very heavily upon her. Palestine has already given a home to over 70,000 Jewish refugees from Germany and Austria, and exiles are still coming there after bitter trials, many of them in a state of complete destitution. In Palestine they find a welcome from their brethren, they achieve freedom under the British flag, and the new hope of leading useful lives as equals and co-partners among their own people.

During the coming year the Council will devote its thought and its energies not simply to the maintenance of the refugees, but to the solution of the refugee problem. Prospects are opening out which justify the hope that a resolute grappling with the task can reduce the permanent hard core to more modest proportions. Emigration, expanding employment, the pioneer corps, should restore many to useful activities. The Community cannot allow the refugees to become a burden on the local authorities and will meet the call now made upon it in good heart and with the high courage of a duty which must be done and is worth the doing.

Anthony de Rothschild

Simon Marks

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CHILDREN'S HEBREW EDUCATION

More Classes in Evacuation Centres

GRANT TO UNION OF £700

Mr. Herbert M. Adler, M.B.E., the Director of Jewish Education, reported further on the work of the Joint Emergency Committee for the Religious Instruction of Jewish Children from London at a meeting of the Union of Hebrew and Religion Classes at Woburn House on Wednesday in last week.

At present, he said, the number of children in their existing classes was 3,000, to which should be added about 500 for centres which were almost certain to be formed.

The number of centres had grown beyond even what they thought probable in December, and at the moment they had ninety. It was probable that another fourteen would be formed. Comparing this with the number of children, it was apparent that the centres were very small in numbers, and that, taken all round, the average number of children per centre was a little over thirty. One, therefore, saw immediately how extremely expensive it was to run classes of that kind.

It was proposed, he continued, to ask the teachers in the different centres to try to arrange for some kind of Purim celebration, but they had the extremely difficult problem of how far it was possible for the children in those scattered areas to keep Passover.

Dealing with the financial position, Mr. Adler said it was hoped that the appeal which it had been decided to make would go forward very soon.

Joint Committee Gets £3,000 Loans

As, however, they could not afford the delay until the money was collected, they had obtained advances from different bodies of over £3,000 for a period of six months.

The Education Officer, Mr. Isidore Fishman, gave his report.

He spoke of the Union's arrangements for the instruction of Jewish pupils attending their affiliated classes in London, in view of the fact that many children remained in London, in spite of the Government's evacuation scheme, and many had since returned from the reception areas.

Barely a month after war broke out a few Hebrew classes had reopened, the Minister of the Synagogue often making himself responsible for the tuition, assisted in some cases by voluntary teachers. Slowly but surely the numbers had increased, and more and more schools reopened. They now had an average attendance of 1,000, distributed among forty sets of classes. It would be impossible in some cases for the Minister alone to be responsible for the whole of the instruction, but as the Union was to receive £700 for the coming six months from the Joint Emergency Committee, it could assist classes where necessary and enable assistant teachers to be engaged.

Apart from the 1,000 children in attendance at the Union's classes, continued Mr. Fishman, there were over 500 in attendance at the Talmud Torahs, and these numbers were increasing.

Mr. M. Albert Jacobs, the Treasurer, who presided in the absence of the President, Dr. L. V. Snowman, reported on the grant made by the Joint Emergency Committee (mentioned by Mr. Fishman).

At the moment, said Mr. Jacobs, they had had allotted to them the £700 mentioned for expenditure during the coming six months, and he made it clear that that grant had been allocated for the purpose of engaging teachers.

The meeting approved.

Land of Israel News

PEACE IN THE LAND

Settlement of Arab Blood-Feuds

SMUGGLING KEPT UNDER

[*From our Correspondent*—JERUSALEM]

At no time during the past four years has the situation in Palestine been more tranquil than at present.

One feature of the position which ought not to escape attention is the growing number of blood-feud settlements now being concluded under the auspices of Arab District Officers. It is the Moslem custom, of course, to maintain a blood-feud where a member of a family has been killed by a known member of another clan. Settlement is achieved by a desire for reconciliation and the payment of some token. Since the war began, there have been numerous "peace-meetings" of this sort.

Road restrictions imposed by the military authorities some eighteen months ago have now been practically removed. Certain precautionary measures, such as patrols and the maintenance of the Frontier Fence, are naturally not being relaxed, but these are part of the system of vigilance rather than of an "offensive" character. One excellent result of the operation of the Frontier Fence (or "Tegart's Wall") is in no way connected with the recent political unrest: it has been a welcome control on the activities of smugglers of illicit narcotics and dutiable goods.

LABOUR PROBLEMS

Vaad Leumi's Great Task

THE IMPORTANCE OF COMPROMISE

[*From our Correspondent*—JERUSALEM]

The Vaad Leumi has been discussing at two consecutive meetings during the past month the problem of Jewish labour relations. The main issue has been the constitution of the Joint Labour Exchanges, to which the Right-wing sections have objected as unduly influenced by the Socialist elements.

This is not the place to enter into the merits or demerits of the opposing viewpoints. The Right Wing wish to have parity with the more powerful Socialist element; the latter insist that they cannot forgo the principle of democratic elections, with the consequent rule of the majority.

The point to be laboured, however, is that this element of disunity is proving one of the stumbling-blocks to maintaining the well-being of the Yishuv. Employers no less than workers have their problems these days, particularly the citrus growers. It is sufficient to cite the fact that the United Kingdom Government collected more in customs duties on Palestine citrus than the amount which was ultimately received by the planters to cover production and other costs to realise in how parlous a condition that industry is placed.

Mr. Pinchas Rutenberg, President of the Vaad Leumi, is tackling the whole question of regulating labour relations with his characteristic energy, and it is to be hoped that some compromise will be reached on the question of neutral Labour Exchanges and other issues which will satisfy all parties.

ARAB-JEWISH CO-OPERATION

Committee at Work

NEIGHBOURING STATES SHOULD BE APPROACHED

[*From our Correspondent*—JERUSALEM]

The Committee decided upon at the last Zionist Congress to explore possibilities for paving the way towards more amicable Jewish-Arab relations has now been completed, and it began its work at Haifa during the middle of January. The Chairman is Mr. S. Kaplansky, Principal of the Haifa Technion and a powerful proponent of an equitable Jewish-Arab understanding.

The present emergency conditions provide the necessary atmosphere to initiate authoritative talks for a racial agreement. For one thing, both the Jews and the Arabs are united in their hostility to Germany; for another, local economic conditions, especially in the citrus industry, are such as to render co-operation between both peoples one of the most imperative factors in Palestine's well-being.

The Committee's purpose is to propound to the Arabs a workable solution of the problem of sharing the country. That has always been the aim of men of goodwill on both sides.

Go Outside Palestine

But all the elements necessary to reach the goal are not at the moment to be found in Palestine itself.

If any practicable approach is to be made to a problem which has assumed a materialistic aspect more and more in the past few years it must be on a business basis. At the root of Arab opposition to the Jewish enterprise has been economic jealousy; and any solution must have economic appeasement as its foundation.

Yet in the Palestine of to-day there are lacking those authoritative Arab elements who can impose a settlement upon the Arab people. It would be impractical to suppose that the Palestine Arabs in the mass are anything but inarticulate; they have no representative body.

Britain's Precedent

Far more powerful than the Palestine Arab "leaders" themselves, whether in Palestine or in exile, are the rulers and statesmen of the neighbouring Arab countries. That the British Government took this line in preparing for the Palestine Conferences in London last January was deprecated in Jewish circles, since it was argued that by doing so His Majesty's Government were placing a decision on the country's destiny beyond the orbit of those immediately concerned. But having done so, the Government imported a precedent into the situation which cannot now be disregarded.

A direct Jewish approach to the attainment of Arab goodwill should therefore be made through the medium of the Arab kings and statesmen in neighbouring territories. The definite terms for Jewish co-operation in the upbuilding of a bi-national State must be laid down, and the Arab terms elicited.

RECRUITING GOES AHEAD

Fine Physique

ARAB AND JEWISH LOYALTY

[*From our Correspondent*—JERUSALEM]

Recruiting of Arab and Jewish volunteers for two Palestinian companies of the Auxiliary Military Pioneer Corps has been proceeding satisfactorily, and they are to undergo training "somewhere in Palestine" before leaving for Europe.

The formation of these two companies of 600 men each, drawn from all classes of the local population, was announced by the British military authorities some weeks ago, when volunteers were invited. Under the League Mandate, there can be no conscription of Palestinian citizens, and the enrolment of men for military forces is thus upon an entirely free and voluntary basis.

A ready response from the younger men (and, judging by the appearance of the queues outside enrolment offices, their elders as well) was also manifest to the offer of enlistments in units of the Royal Army Service Corps, the Royal Engineers, the Royal Army Ordnance Corps, and the Royal Army Medical Corps, in which recruits are now similarly in training.

Several young Palestinians of high education and other qualifications are being accepted for commissioned rank with the Military Pioneer Corps.

Both the Arab and Jewish recruits are of fine physique, and their eventual moulding into first-class units will be a credit to Palestine.

This willingness on the part of both the Arab and Jewish communities to assist the British Empire's cause, and to serve wherever they may be sent, is part of the new spirit of loyal co-operation which has developed since the war began. The bitterness of the past four years has disappeared entirely.

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THE NEGEV

Disappointing Irrigation Reports

U.S.A. METHODS ADVOCATED

Intensive Jewish agricultural development of the Negev has been practically ruled out of question by recent scientific investigations, according to a *Jewish Telegraphic Agency* message from Jerusalem.

Field studies and experiments by the leading expert on the soils of Palestine, Dr. Adolf Reifenberg, of the Hebrew University, show that the underground water, even in the more promising northern part of the Negev, near Beersheba, is too salty for irrigation; while Government experiments in attempting to dam rain water for the same purpose have shown this method also to be impracticable, because of the enormously high rate of evaporation and seepage, which results in most of the dammed water vanishing early in the dry season.

Furthermore, Dr. Michael Even-Ari, Hebrew University biologist, has stated that the peculiar combination of climatic and soil conditions in the Negev may make irrigation actually dangerous to the fertility of the soil, since it may result in bringing deep-lying salty deposits to the surface and ruining the top-soil. This has actually occurred in some citrus groves in the southern parts of the coastal citrus belt.

In disclosing the result of his investigations, Dr. Reifenberg pointed out that it might have political as well as economic significance. While not entirely ruling out the possibility of Jewish colonisation in this region, Dr. Reifenberg said, his research indicated that if it were attempted it would have to be on a much more modest scale than had been thought.

The one remaining possibility for developing the region, which had not been fully investigated, he said, was the improvement of dry-farming methods. Dr. Reifenberg disclosed that Dr. Walter C. Lowdermilk, Director of the Soil Conservation Bureau of the United States Department of Agriculture, who visited Palestine last year, had suggested the adoption of the "basin-listing" method of ploughing lately developed in the United States, to make fullest possible use of the Negev's scanty rainfall.

The Palestine Movement

MENUHIN AND THE PALESTINE CONSERVATOIRE

To Give New York Concert

Yehudi Menuhin, the violinist, has pledged his first New York concert engagement of 1940 for the benefit of the Palestine Conservatoire of Music in Jerusalem, which affords training for talented refugees from Central Europe as well as for selected Jewish and non-Jewish students in Palestine.

Menuhin will receive no remuneration for his appearance. He has asked the privilege of purchasing the first box for the occasion and has offered to pay for his own standing room on the stage.

HABONIM—The New Year for Trees was celebrated by London Habonim at the Anglo-Palestinian Club. The chief item was saying farewell to eleven German chaverim leaving with the Youth Aliyah for Palestine. Other features were films of Habonim camps, Hebrew songs, and a continuation of the recounting of the experiences of Dr. Nathan Morris in Palestine. It was suggested that funds should be collected on each Jewish Festival to provide gifts for the Anglo-Baltic Kibbutz in Palestine, and such a collection was made for a gift for Chamisha Asar b'Shevat.

HEBREW YOUTH LEAGUE—A Neshef Chamisha Asar b'Shevat was held by the North London Hebrew Speaking Circle at 92, Cazenove Road, N. (by permission of the Rev. B. Cherrick and the Hostel Supervisors). The evening began with a gramophone recital of Hebrew and classical records, some of the latest Palestinian songs and dance tunes being included. Chaverah Shifrah Ben-Zwi, of Ein Hashofet, spoke of the children's celebration of the New Year for Trees in Palestine. A collection was made to plant a tree. Chaver Marshak gave sketches of the miracles of the Rabbis and a scene from the "Dibbuk." After refreshments, a camp fire followed, when everybody joined in a sing-song and Chaver Ephraim Berg sang songs of modern Palestine. It was decided to send £1 to the Kvutzah Binyaminah Fund.

JEWISH NATIONAL FUND—"A Homeland in the Making," a new sound film with commentary depicting modern Jewish Palestine, details of which were given in these columns on January 12, was shown for the first time to the public at the Odeon Theatre, Edgware Road, W. (by courtesy of Mr. Oscar Deutsch). During the interval, Mrs. I. M. Sieff appealed on behalf of the J.N.F. for money and workers. The function was arranged under the auspices of the J.N.F. Charitable Trust.

JEWISH STATE PARTY—A meeting took place at which a Press review was given. Dr. M. Lachs gave a report on the general Jewish situation and Mr. Fränkel on the Zionist position. The Hon. Sec.'s address is 6, Queensdown Road, Clapton, E.5.

MIZRACHI FEDERATION—It was decided to convene the annual conference for March 25, at a meeting of the Executive at which Mr. S. E. Sklan presided. An East End Office and Centre is now ready for occupation at 214, Whitechapel Road, E., where public meetings, lectures, and youth activities will shortly be organised. The Secretary, Mr. William Frankel, referred to the success that had been achieved in Brighton and Hove, where a Mizrachi Society had been formed as well as a ladies' groups. These groups had been the means of forming societies of Torah Va'Avodah and Bnei Akivah. Visits would be made to other evacuation areas to inaugurate Mizrachi activity.

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CZECH ROLL OF HONOUR

Eleven Towns that Boycotted Jew-Laws

The inhabitants of the Protectorate of Bohemia and Moravia are putting up a silent but very effective resistance to Nazi racialism. This resistance usually takes the form of ignoring all anti-Jewish decrees and of assisting the Jews in their plight in every way possible.

So widespread has this movement become that the "Protector," Herr Von Neurath, recently found it necessary to impose a collective fine of 10,000 marks on eleven Czech towns for their failure to enforce anti-Jewish measures. The names of these towns deserve to be placed on record for showing so fine an example of civic courage and humanitarianism. They are: Königgrätz, Chlumec, Hradiste, Kremsier, Benesov, Tabor, Trebova, Prossnitz, Czesky Brod, Luhacovice, and Podebrady.

Jews in the Protectorate are now experiencing an acute shortage of food supplies. This is due to the fact that the Gestapo authorities have arrested a large number of Czech provision merchants who had, as a protest against the Nazi regime, been supplying the Jews with food in excess of the meagre rations allowed them.

The organ of the Protectorate's Nazi rulers, the Neuer Tag, announces that the authorities have decided to make Bohemia and Moravia *judenrein* during 1940. Another report says that the Nazi racial laws are to be introduced in the Protectorate.

The Nazis recently attempted to blow up the Synagogue in Kromeritz, Moravia, but one of the bombs exploded prematurely, killing a Nazi on the spot.

GERMAN JEWS IN LABOUR-GANGS

Women for the Factories

The Nazis, according to a *British United Press* report, are no longer permitting Jews to leave the country in any circumstances. The reason alleged is that the Jews might enter the service of enemy countries, or leave with information vital to Germany.

But it is equally likely that one of the main reasons for Germany's desire to retain the Jews is that their labour-power is vitally necessary to the Nazis. Recently, the large labour exchange office on the Fontane-Promenade in the Neukoelln district of Berlin has established a special department for Jews drafted into forced labour battalions.

Some time ago, the Berlin Jewish Community received an order from the local municipality to supply 3,000 Jews for agricultural work. The Jews were taken to Muenchenberg-Neumark, where they were employed in digging up potatoes. Young Jewish girls were brought from the Sudetenland to cook their food. Jewish women are frequently employed in German factories and workshops in menial posts.

STARVATION IN VIENNA

So desperate has the food situation become for Jews in Vienna that the Nazi authorities have agreed to permit a Jewish delegation, consisting of the leaders of the Community, to go to neutral countries in order to appeal for aid.

The delegation is said to have first visited Hungary, where the Budapest Jewish Community has undertaken to feed and clothe 2,500 Jewish families by sending them relief in kind. Dispatch of food and clothing parcels has already begun. The delegation is now proceeding to Yugoslavia, Italy, and other countries, where they hope similar arrangements may be made.

FATHER COUGHLIN FAILS TO BROADCAST

Radio Priest and Christian Front

ALLEGED INCITEMENT TO VIOLENCE

Father Charles E. Coughlin, the American Jew-baiting "radio priest," who, it is reported, is to be charged with offences against the U.S. Post Office, and who is widely accused of having been connected with the terrorist "Christian Front" (members of which are now charged with plotting against the State), failed to give his customary broadcast last Sunday. Coughlin declined to give any reason for his non-appearance.

Details of charges made against Coughlin appeared in The Jewish Chronicle last week. To these may now be added allegations concerning his connections with the "Christian Front." Following the arrest of seventeen members of this organisation recently, Coughlin denied that he has had anything to do with it; but the National Jewish Monthly, published by the American B'nai B'rith, tells a different story.

On May 23, 1938, in the Coughlinite magazine Social Justice, the "radio priest" gave the "Christian Front" advice on how to improve its organisational methods so as to expand in size. On July 31, 1939, Social Justice declared: "Organised along militant lines, as a defence mechanism against Red activities and as a protector of Christianity and Americanism, the 'Christian Front' is spreading from Greater New York into Philadelphia, Boston, and other eastern centres." On August 28, 1939, it stated: "Father Coughlin approved the fine principles of Christian leadership espoused by young men of the 'Christian Front.'"

Revolt Against Democracy Threatened

On July 30, 1939, when "Christian Front" public speakers were threatening pogroms, smashing Jewish shop-windows, and attacking Jews in the streets, Coughlin said in a speech: "What proof . . . to indicate that the 'Christian Front' cultivates a state of war in the streets? None!" In his regular broadcast on the same day, Coughlin declared: "The 'Christian Front' is no longer a dream. It is a reality—a reality that grows stronger, more courageous, and more determined." At the same time, he threatened an eventual revolt against democracy, in "Franco's way."

"Father Coughlin stands accused," declares the Jewish monthly, "as the ideological inspiration of the 'Christian Front.' . . . And he will continue to inspire others in like fashion unless he is stopped from spreading the undemocratic and un-American poisons of racial and religious hatreds."

TRIBUTES TO AMERICAN JEWISH CONGRESS

Twenty-First Anniversary

Four members of the Cabinet of President Roosevelt have sent tributes to the American Jewish Congress on the occasion of the twenty-first anniversary of its foundation. They are Mr. Harry L. Hopkins (Secretary of Commerce), Mr. Harold L. Ickes (Secretary of the Interior), Mr. Henry A. Wallace (Secretary of Agriculture), and Attorney General Frank Murphy.

"The broad objectives of the American Jewish Congress have the sympathy of all in this country who believe in humanitarianism and justice," Mr. Wallace stated in his message. "I wish to congratulate the leaders and members of the Congress on their steadfastness in championing the cause of real democracy in this country and in extending material aid to those in other lands who have been made victims of intolerance and persecution."

Mr. Ickes declared: "The Jewish Community of America has always been a vital part of the nation. It has contributed to every aspect of our civilisation. . . . The purpose of the American Jewish Congress to strengthen democracy, to make tolerance and goodwill a living thing and a potent agency for the beneficial development of our nation is a splendid contribution to the spirit and ideal of democracy."

A message from Dr. George A. Buttrick, President of the Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America, and co-adviser with Dr. Cyrus Adler to President Roosevelt on peace questions, declared: "I speak for hosts of other Christians in identifying myself with the great struggle which the Jews are making for justice and freedom. . . . Jews and Christians have in common a great task in the maintenance of democracy in our land. The rise of anti-Semitic tendencies in America is something which threatens the best in our American heritage. I regard anti-Semitism as inherently un-Christian, and I pledge you my best efforts in doing everything possible to prevent its growth."

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NAZIS INSTITUTE WHITE SLAVERY

Ghastly Fate of Polish Jewesses

RASSENSCHANDE—BY ORDER

An affidavit accusing the Nazi authorities in Warsaw of having ordered Jewish leaders to set up two military brothels, one for officers and the other for soldiers, and to supply Jewish girls for them, has been sworn by Dr. Henryk Szoszkes, one of the leaders to whom the order was issued, reports the *Jewish Telegraphic Agency*.

Dr. Szoszkes, former Vice-President of the Warsaw Jewish Community Council and a banker, succeeded in escaping from Poland and proceeded to New York. He will later leave for Tel-Aviv, where he has been appointed Hon. Polish Consul.

According to the affidavit, both Dr. Szoszkes and the President of the Warsaw Jewish Community categorically refused to comply with the Gestapo demands, informing the authorities that they would prefer death. The order was served upon Dr. Szoszkes on November 2 by a Gestapo Leader named Wende.

In confirmation of Dr. Szoszkes's allegation, a message from Przemysl (in the Soviet zone of Poland) states that almost daily groups of Jewish women and girls arrive at the frontier begging to be allowed to enter Russian territory in order to escape from the Nazis. Many of them are in a most pitiful state. Some have already been dishonoured by Nazi soldiers and others are trying to escape a similar fate. The message adds that the Russian authorities invariably allow them to enter. Several of them are mentally unbalanced as a result of their experiences and have had to be sent to the local hospital.

The refugees give horrifying accounts of their brutal treatment. Young married women are summarily taken away from their husbands and children and handed over to the German soldiers. When they protest to the Nazis: "What about your Nuremberg laws and the *Rassenschande* regulations?" they are told that these measures have been suspended for the German Army in Poland for the duration of the war.

German Newspaper's Admission

Lest it be said that these reports are "atrocity propaganda" and have no basis in fact, it is as well to note that the Gruene Post, the well-known German family paper which circulates widely in religious households, particularly in the countryside, has published some details concerning the plight of the Polish Jewish women.

It declares that thousands of them, even minors, are being forced to engage in prostitution in order to obtain bread for their sick parents and brothers. "These unfortunate children," it writes, "are ready to do the hardest labour in order to keep alive, but as Jews they are permitted to engage only in one occupation, that of prostitution, which is therefore assuming a mass character in Poland to-day."

An admission such as this, and the implied rebuke, are most significant.

RELIEF SUPPLIES REACH CRACOW

Welcome, But Quite Inadequate

The first consignment of American Red Cross relief supplies for the Polish and Jewish populations in the Nazi-occupied zone reached Cracow last week. It consisted of winter clothing and medicaments.

However, it is clear that the American Red Cross cannot possibly do much to alleviate the Jewish plight, not only because the relief is to be distributed by the Germans but also because the entire American Red Cross relief for occupied Poland is limited to a quarter of a million dollars. Yet the Joint Distribution Committee in Paris has been asked by its Warsaw office to assign for Jewish relief alone over half a million dollars a month for bare necessities.

In Warsaw alone, 75,000 meals a day must be served to Jews by the canteens supported by the J.D.C. In the provinces about 300,000 Jews must be catered for.

All Jews in Warsaw have been ordered to register their property. No reasons are given but it is thought that Jews may be expropriated. There are Poles who are trying to use the occasion by buying up Jewish property cheaply. Jewish refugees abroad are particularly in danger of losing their houses. Attempts are being made to induce the Polish Government in Paris to issue a declaration that all such transactions made during the Nazi occupation will be declared null and void after the war. Such a declaration would have the effect of dissuading some people from buying up stolen property.

According to Paris reports, the Nazis in Warsaw intend to take over the Jewish Hospital and evacuate all the Jewish patients, including 1,400 typhoid cases. The evacuation is believed to have begun already. The patients are being transferred to Jewish schools, where no proper medical care is possible.

ANTI-JUDAISM IN RUSSIA

Ineffective Campaign

AN ATHEIST'S SON AND MILAH

The ineffectiveness of the anti-religious propaganda carried on by the Union of Militant Atheists among the Jewish masses in Russia is causing concern in Jewish Communist circles, judging by long articles in the Jewish Press.

Complaints are made that anti-religious propaganda is carried on half-heartedly and sporadically.

A striking example is quoted by the Stern, of Kiev: A former responsible Secretary of the Vinitzer District Committee of the Union of Militant Atheists, on the birth of a son, arranged a Jewish circumcision ceremony. "It can be easily imagined," the paper writes, "what value the anti-religious activities of such an atheist can have, seeing that he himself is still enmeshed in superstitious beliefs."

According to the Soviet Press, the labour exchanges are daily visited by large numbers of Rabbis begging for work to save themselves and their families from starvation. They state that they are ready to do any kind of work, as they are no longer able to obtain any support from their Communities. Their only plea is that they must not be forced to work on Saturdays and on Jewish Holy-days, and that they must not be compelled to violate the principles of the Jewish religion.

The Communist authorities in Stryj have decided that the local Jews must cease to bury their dead in the Jewish cemetery, and that there must only be one cemetery in the town for the general use of all inhabitants.

In connection with these anti-religious moves, it is worth while referring in detail to the discussions on the question of Nazi-Soviet anti-religious collaboration (mentioned briefly in The Jewish Chronicle last week). The discussions took place at a plenary session of the Central Committee of the Communist Youth Organisation in Moscow (reported in the Russian Press), and arose when Michailov, the General Secretary, stated that arrangements had been completed for the creation of a united Soviet-German anti-religious front, and that an exchange of information on this subject would be instituted between Berlin and Moscow.

"Does this mean that the Nazi views on the Jewish question are accepted by our Party?" one of the members asked. In reply, Michailov said: "Our co-operation with Germany on the anti-religious front will have its limitations. The Soviets conduct their fight against religion on the basis of materialistic principles only and not on any racial basis. We reject the racial principles, and this automatically excludes the possibility of co-ordinating our activities with the Reich concerning questions applying to Jews."

DEATH OF A GENERAL

The execution is reported from Vienna of General Emil von Sommer, aged seventy-four, the Austrian-Jewish General and former head of the Union of Austrian-Jewish Ex-Servicemen. He is said to have been charged with conspiring, before the war, to restore the Monarchy. He was permitted to face the firing squad in his old uniform.

General von Sommer's bravery impressed even the Nazis. When Hitler marched into Austria, Von Sommer's flat was invaded and hooligans tried to force him outside in order to join one of the notorious "scrubbing squads." He threw them out; and when they returned with reinforcements they found him dressed in his general's uniform and wearing all his decorations. The hooligans, realising that General von Sommer's appearance in the "scrubbing squad" in military dress would arouse anti-Nazi hostility, judged it wiser to leave him in peace.

WHERE JEWS WERE BURNT AT THE STAKE

Anti-Racial Play at Lisbon

"Disraeli the Jew," a play by the Brazilian playwright, Senhor R. Magalhaes, whose theme is the exposure of anti-Semitism, is having a very successful run in Lisbon.

What makes the fact most striking is that the play is being performed at the Dona Maria National Theatre, which stands on the site where autos-da-fé (burnings of Jews and heretics) were held at the time of the Inquisition. It is even stated that many Jews were buried in the walls of the theatre, and for this reason Orthodox Jews still refuse to attend performances given in it.

"GLOS POLSKI" AGAIN

More Official Polish Incitement

[*By a Correspondent*]

Another atrocious piece of anti-Jewish propaganda has been published in the Glos Polski, of Paris, the official organ of the Polish Government. Recent attacks on the Jews in this paper have already been referred to in The Jewish Chronicle.

Describing conditions in Lwow (Lemberg), in Soviet-Russian occupation, the author of a novel published in the paper now alleges that Jews murdered eight Polish Nationalist students at the local university.

In no other paper has this story of Jews killing non-Jews appeared, and there is no doubt that it is a pure invention. It is known that such affrays are absolutely criminal under Russian occupation, and no Russian or Yiddish paper that I have read has ever reported anything of the kind. On the contrary, they stress the fact that not a single fight has taken place at Lwow University, formerly notorious for its anti-Jewish hooliganism. Several people who have read the story in Glos Polski, and who left Lwow much later than did the author of the story, claim that it must have been invented for anti-Jewish reasons.

It is characteristic of the attitude of this Government organ that many Polish writers who originally contributed have now ceased to do so because they found it to be purely Endek, and because they could co-operate with it no longer.

POLISH PREMIER FOR LONDON

Clarification of Attitude to Jews

[*From our former Warsaw Correspondent*]

General Sikorski, the Polish Premier, is to pay a second visit to London in the near future. He is to confer with members of the British Government, and is also, I learn, to meet members of Anglo-Jewry.

It is felt in Polish official quarters that the time is ripe for the Polish Government to make a clear statement about its attitude towards the Jewish question, and to condemn in particular the anti-Semitic policy of the former regime. It is therefore anticipated that the Premier will attempt to utilise this visit to come into closer contact with representative Jews in London and explain his position.

I learn that General Haller's mission to the United States is meeting with strong opposition there because of his outspoken anti-Jewish and anti-democratic tendencies in the past.

MUSSOLINI'S MEDAL

Italian V.C. and Abyssinian Colonisation

When Lieutenant Bruno Jesi, a member of the Council of the Union of Italian Jewish Communities, was recently decorated by Mussolini in person with the highest Italian military order, the Gold Medal, for exceptional gallantry, many Jews wondered at this sudden conversion on the part of the Duce.

However, it appears that the new Macchiavelli has not lost his cunning, for Lieutenant Jesi, it is now learnt, is shortly leaving for Abyssinia to direct the activities of a newly-formed Italian-Jewish company for the cultivation of oleaginous plants. Seven Jewish engineers and agriculturists will accompany him.

The project, so it is declared, was first outlined to Mussolini by Lieutenant Jesi in a personal letter. Mussolini thereupon invited him to organise a Jewish company for the development of Abyssinia, and offered him full Government support. As a result of the invitation, Lieutenant Jesi formed his company with a capital of 5,000,000 lire subscribed by Italian Jews. The company hopes to cultivate 12,500 acres in three different parts of the country. The land has been leased to the company for 99 years at a nominal rental of one dollar a year.

NAZIS' EUROPEAN INTRIGUES

"We in this country have a tremendous lot to learn from the psychology of the people who work in the background of the Nazi movement." This warning was given at a meeting of the Anglo-Palestinian Club on Thursday evening of last week by Mr. Anthony Moore, Cambridge University Extension Lecturer, speaking (in the absence of the Hon. Harold Nicolson, M.P.) on "Nazi Diplomacy." The Chairman was Sir Herbert Williams, M.P.

Mr. Moore, who is widely travelled and has seen Nazi diplomacy at work in the Balkans and elsewhere, said that the Nazis had made use of every opportunity to push by means of their diplomacy their own insidious propaganda. There were few parts of Europe where one could see it better at work than in the Baltic countries.

The Nazis, he declared, were using people as diplomats who had not the slightest claim to the name.

A discussion followed.

Among those present was Sir George Franckenstein, former Austrian Minister in London.

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WE DARE NOT SHIRK THIS DUTY

IN their promise of a grant not exceeding £27,000 per month, and a retrospective contribution of £100,000, to the voluntary organisations caring for the victims of Nazi oppression now in this country, the Government have evinced a wise sympathy and a breadth of outlook which call for the warmest recognition. It is, indeed, a gesture which must stir gratitude in every Jewish heart, and just because it is paralleled by similar acts of generosity in other lands must help still further to keep alive that precious sentiment of common humanity which less well-disposed forces would callously extinguish but which means so much for the future of the race.

How vigorously that sentiment flourishes in this country has been exemplified by the practical assistance rendered by the Christian Council for Refugees during the anxious months before the Government took its present step. That assistance no Jew can ever forget. It seals a spiritual comradeship which has been active during all these weary years of conscienceless oppression elsewhere, and which is full of good augury for the happier circumstances that all of us hope will one day rule the relations between those of different creed or race the world over.

The Jewish Community of Britain has not asked precipitately for Government help. It has only approached the authorities after digging very deeply into its own resources, and when the advent of war made the liquidating of the refugee problem through emigration a task too hopelessly big for unaided private effort. From the figures given by the Home Secretary, to whose sympathetic and statesmanlike handling of the whole refugee problem a word of sincere tribute is due, it would seem that, with the £5,000,000 already spent by the voluntary organisations, the money provided by friends and relatives in individual cases and estimated at another £3,000,000, and the help afforded by numerous persons who have given refugees hospitality in their homes, well over £8,000,000 have been contributed. The bulk of this has come out of the communal pockets in support of hapless co-religionists, a figure stupendous and surely in its proportions unprecedented in the history of private charity. This total can only go on rising perhaps to the ten million level and higher. That the Community should now ask for Government help is, therefore, no reflection on its own generosity, and it can justly claim in this respect that "a beggar begs who never begged before"! At least it can say that in the ways indicated by the Home Secretary, and especially in filling the ranks of labour from which a huge new contribution to the national war effort is in prospect, the refugees can and will make a very useful and timely return for the kindness shown them in this enlightened and hospitable land.

But British Jewry, too, has once again to play a man's, and a brother's, part in this aching problem. First it must get the fact firmly fixed in its mind that, in making its contribution, the Government has not intended to relieve Jews of their moral responsibilities. On the contrary, it has clearly laid it down that its help is intended only to "supplement," and not replace, Jewish voluntary assistance. The Government, we are explicitly told, is "most anxious that any arrangements for a contribution from public funds shall not be regarded as diminishing the need for charitable contributions, or transferring the responsibility from the voluntary organisations." And again, its purpose is "that the assistance which it is giving shall be a stimulus to the continuation of the voluntary aid in money, kind, and hospitality, and not least in service." Can the Community find it in its heart and conscience to reject a stipulation so justly made? Or, in plain language, will it let the Government down? That is, of course, inconceivable. Such a default would be a black mark against the communal name whenever the good offices of the authorities would be invoked. It would mean that large bodies of refugees might be thrown on the Public Assistance, that a present would be made of new fuel for the fires which the Fascists have till now been so industriously but unsuccessfully stoking, and that those fires would be worked into a dangerous, if not devouring, flame. That would be a sorry accompaniment to our "defence campaign," and it is quite unthinkable that British Jewry would by blank refusal of its obligations be guilty of treachery to itself in this way.

The Council for Jewish Refugees is asking for £400,000 for this year, to which the Government will add an approximately equal amount. It is a large sum. But it is not so large as the damage to our good name and our peace which would flow from failure in the performance of our duty. Where public causes are concerned, the hard warnings of the national emergency have taught that expenditure goes with both hands. Money is to-day sustaining unparalleled burdens. It is fighting, feeding, and healing; and upholding the arms of those gallant men who alone stand between us and utter destruction. All we own may have to be thrown into the present struggle. And we must discipline our own needs and tighten our belts, so that the finger of scorn may not be pointed at the wanderers and fugitives in our midst—and at ourselves.

Centuries of Jewish brotherhood are looking down on us to-day. Our dearest articles of religious faith are summoning us to our duty. We must play our part like good men—and good Jews, and once more will it be seen of all the world that, in weal or woe, and come what may, the compassionate Jewish heart still beats and will not be denied.

MR. STANLEY'S WARNING

IN his excellent maiden public speech as War Secretary, Mr. Oliver Stanley gave the country much food for thought and incidentally dealt faithfully and humorously with the Mosleyite hecklers now engaged in a well-marked campaign against the free and uninterrupted expression of opinion. In particular he did well to emphasise that "we are fighting against an enemy who has been taught by every means to hate us, to long for our destruction." This is, indeed, no new discovery. It has been made manifest in the virulent anti-British outpourings of the Nazi Press and in the revelations by the late French Ambassador in Berlin of the violent anti-British sentiments of the egregious Von Ribbentrop, and has only recently been repeated by Goebbels himself. But it is doubtful whether it has yet been fully realised by the British public itself, and it cannot, therefore, be too loudly or too insistently proclaimed.

THE NAZI BEAST LICKS ITS LIPS

THE struggle in which Britain is engaged is one of life or death for Britain and the British Empire, as well as for the ideals of government and human conduct whose survival is so dependent upon their continued existence. Every Nazi leader is busy, in imagination, trying on the crown of British dominion and entering into the legacy of the supposedly decrepit British power. So long as these delusions afflict German people there can be no surcease from trouble; and a premature peace, which, as Mr. Stanley warns us, would only be a troubled truce, must be a crime not only against Britain but against all humanity. Sad and bitter as may be the thought of continued war to Jew and non-Jew alike, it is only Germany who, by her return to the paths of sanity and civilisation, can end that nightmare; and only when it bids an honest good-bye to Hitlerism will men be able to live in real and assured peace.

POINTS OF FACT

A CORRESPONDENT, Mr. Turk, writes this week in connection with some editorial observations on the Jewish Chaplaincy question which appeared last week. Referring to the remark that the Rev. V. G. Simmons had been appointed resident Jewish Chaplain at Aldershot during the last war and that no such appointment has so far been made on the present occasion, he contends that Mr. Simmons did not take up the post until about three years after the last war started. But he should remember that, unlike this time, conscription was not introduced until two years after the last war started and that before then most of the volunteers in Kitchener's Army and the Territorials were drafted to other centres. It may be true, also, that, as our correspondent mentions, Dayan Gollop conducted services every Sunday for Jewish troops in September and October and that either he or his deputy visited them every week. But neither of the two commissioned Jewish Chaplains has been able to continue this function, and although the Rev. I. Levy is doing excellent work as an uncommissioned and un-uniformed Chaplain our correspondent agrees that a commissioned Chaplain would be of great advantage in so important a military command as that of Aldershot. No doubt the appointment of a commissioned Chaplain depends on the number of Jewish soldiers to whom he is to minister, but at the rate at which men are now being called up it ought not to be long before this position is filled, even despite the numbers of Jews who attest as of another religion. Meanwhile, recognition is due to the small Jewish Community at Aldershot for the admirable efforts it is making in the interests of the Jewish troops already in its neighbourhood.

A PATRIOTIC DUTY

IN the stress of the many national problems, the incessant anti-Jewish propaganda in this country, whether overt or covert, may tend to be overlooked. Yet, regarded from the Jewish—and more particularly the national—point of view, no greater mistake could be made. Certainly the Nazis show themselves plainly and increasingly conscious of the proven value to themselves of this foreign anti-Jewish propaganda. There is no slackening in that quarter. They realise clearly enough that it is easier and more profitable to rot allied unity by a flood of lies than to fight a battle which they may not win. And the systematic and sleepless way in which they pursue this course has been well exposed in the "Ears of England" series now being broadcast by the B.B.C. The output of Nazi talk and trickery designed to create hatred of the Jews is proportionally large. Jews have been from the beginning, and still remain, the readiest of all targets. It is up to the Jews themselves, therefore, to react with force and dispatch against this insidious form of war against the Allies, for it is in reality nothing else. They are in a unique position to defeat the whole campaign. Their knowledge of the facts is inevitably deeper than can be that at the command of non-Jews, who are day and night engaged over a much wider field. In exposing the anti-Jewish fictions Jews will be not only protecting themselves but defending the home front against the organised Nazi campaign to disrupt it at its most susceptible point. Thus Jewish defence is a paramount patriotic duty.

THE TASK OF DEFENCE

IT is as well, therefore, that one of the first steps taken by the new Deputies' Executive has been to recommend a resumption of the Jewish open-air meetings for Jewish defence—a step which, it is to be hoped, is of good augury for the career of a body which is something of a departure in communal organisation but which carries the warmest wishes of the Community in its very responsible mission. The Defence Committee, now under the capable and experienced Presidential guidance of Mr. Gordon Liverman, will, it may be assumed, address itself to its task with steady and vigorous purpose. The resumption of the open-air meetings is regarded by the Executive as a tentative move only, and rightly so. Its success must depend on several factors, and especially on the existence of a body of capable and well-informed speakers. In this respect the older men among us have a chance to perform a valuable service to both Jews and the State.

A NEW SCIENCE

BUT it would be a grave error to suppose that, with that task done, the whole work of defence would be completed. It is not only at sea that the Nazis sow cowardly but deadly mines. They are mining the national fabric in more or less unsuspected places, and to frustrate this plan is no less urgent. We should never forget that as the military stalemate is prolonged the psychological factor comes into more and more prominence. The attack on the national psychology, the instilling into the mind of the nation that all this prodigal expenditure of life and money is only suffered in "a Jewish war," has to be resolutely and sleeplessly met. This particular "mine" to destroy British morale is being sown by the Nazis over wide and diverse fields—in many different strata of society. To deal with the menace calls for unremitting zeal and not a little courage. It will certainly need the very best organisation and co-ordination of effort that the Community can command. Jewish Defence is no longer an amateurs' fight—it must become a highly skilled science if it is to cope with the very great resources, persistence, and scientific ability of the Nazi enemy.

"BUT SOFT, WE ARE OBSERVED!"

THE JEWISH CHRONICLE frequently publishes a brief notice of any items in the B.B.C. programmes for the ensuing week that may possess special interest to Jews. This may consist in the fact that one of the executant musicians happens to be a Jew, or that one item in the musical programme may be the work of a Jewish composer. More rarely there may be a talk on some subject of interest to Jews, such as Palestine or the refugee problem. But this almost routine journalistic duty of a Jewish newspaper has not escaped the eagle eye of the German Propaganda Ministry. And the German news from Bremen (in German) last Sunday proceeded to deal with this trifling matter in characteristic Nazi style. It cunningly magnified these brief mentions of individuals into "Jewish programmes." It asserted that they are devoted not only to Jewish music but to "Jewish literature" and "Jewish politics," and it went on to remark that "it is very enlightening to study these Jewish *suggestions* [our italics], and it is noteworthy that such Jewish programmes have been growing ever since 1936." Then the broadcaster went on to draw the awful lesson. "This proves," he said, "that they gain increasing importance in the international radio field and the responsibility for the war-mongering tendency rests on the Jews." In short, every dulcet note of a Jewish violinist is in reality a raucous challenge to war, and every wave of a Jewish conductor's baton a signal to the tanks to advance. So obvious! At any rate, the broadcaster believes this idiotic nonsense, or pretends to. "We have always known that," he exclaims proudly. "It is merely a confirmation of a well-known fact."

NAZI LIES—ON THE GRAND SCALE

HERE are some of the further ridiculous statements made in the same German "news" bulletin referring to THE JEWISH CHRONICLE'S radio notes:

> "While in 1936 the English wireless broadcast about ten Jewish programmes a week, the rest of Europe only gave three such broadcasts. In 1937 the number of Jewish broadcasts in England had increased to 20 per week, while in the rest of Europe they totalled four. In 1938 the number of Jewish broadcasts in England increased further to 30 per week, while the rest of Europe had only two, and in 1939 there were 40 Jewish broadcasts per week in England, while there has been practically no increase in the rest of Europe."

The short reply to these childish lies is, of course, that in fact there have probably not been more than about two dozen Jewish programmes from British wireless stations since broadcasting began in this country some sixteen years ago.

But the gem of the whole farrago comes at the end. "Whereas all the other pro-Jewish European countries," we are told, "are very reserved, the English wireless devotes one-third of its programmes to Jews." Why this monotony? Because "England has realised that the Jew is a mischief-maker and England can only exist as long as there is unrest in Europe." It is on puerile balderdash of this kind that the people of Germany are fed by the Nazi Propaganda Ministry which controls all forms of news circulation in the Reich. When for their "news" they have to indulge in such self-evident rubbish it is perhaps not so extraordinary that the Nazis have had to invoke the death penalty to prevent the miserable slaves under their control from listening to broadcasts from other countries.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

THE CHIEF RABBI, we are informed, has been ordered a complete rest in a warmer climate. He hopes to return to England in April.

CHIEF RABBI DR. ISAAC HERZOG, of Palestine, will arrive this week-end in Paris on his way to London.

DAYAN M. GOLLOP, Senior Jewish Chaplain to the Forces, is in France for a brief visit.

ALDERMAN SIR SAMUEL and LADY JOSEPH were among those present at a reception, attended by the King and Queen given by the Lord Mayor and Lady Mayoress at the Mansion House on Tuesday afternoon in commemoration of the centenary of New Zealand.

MR. LIONEL L. COHEN, K.C., has been elected a member of the General Council of the Bar.

MR. AVIGDOR BEN-GURION, of Tel-Aviv, father of Mr. David Ben-Gurion, Chairman of the Executives in Jerusalem of the Jewish Agency and Zionist Organisation, has celebrated his eighty-fifth birthday.

MR. LEWIS SILKIN, Labour M.P. for Peckham, has had to cancel all his engagements for an indefinite period, in consequence of illness.

SIR ISIDORE SALMON, M.P., will be sixty-four to-morrow.

BIRTHS

A SON was born on Tuesday, February 6, 1940, to Mr. and Mrs. Harold B. Glaskie, (Leah Lieberman), at "Harlea," Butt Hill Avenue, Prestwich.

A DAUGHTER, Lesley Serina, was born on January 30, 1940, at 67, Brunswick Place, Hove, to Sheila (née Koski), wife of Monty Berman.

A DAUGHTER was born on Wednesday, January 24, 1940, to Rachel (née Newman), wife of Dr. I. M. Lipschitz, at Heather Mount, Tollemache Road, Birkenhead.

BARMITZVAH

ARNOLD, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Max. Ziff, of 437, Street Lane, Leeds, 7, will read a portion of the Law and Maftir at the New Synagogue, Chapeltown Road, Leeds, on Saturday, February 10, 1940. There will be a reception on Sunday, February 11, 1940, from 3 to 6 p.m., at the Jubilee Hall, Saville Mount, Leeds, 7. Relatives and friends are asked kindly to accept this as the only intimation.

FORTHCOMING MARRIAGES

MR. CECIL ARANOVITCH AND MISS SILVER

The engagement is announced of Cecil, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. P. Aranovitch, of 30, Balmoral Road, Liverpool, 6, to Celia, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. Silver, of Woodsorrel Road, Childwall, Liverpool.

MR. ALEC COLEMAN AND MISS ROMAIN

The engagement is announced of Alec, son of Mrs. Coleman and the late Mr. J. Coleman, of 15, Ranalagh Drive, South, Grassendale, Liverpool, to René, only daughter of Mrs. Romain and the late Mr. H. M. Romain, of 31, Brompton Avenue, Sefton Park, Liverpool.

MR. ALEC MILLER AND MISS BENDIX

The engagement is announced of Alec, son of Mr. Hyman Miller and the late Mrs. Shifra Miller, of 110, Dewsbury Road, N.W.10, to Hanna, elder daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Benno Bendix, of 31, Woodberry Down, N.4. Mr. and Mrs. Bendix will be "At Home" on Sunday, February 11, 1940, from 3 to 6 p.m.

MR. MAURICE NARIN AND MISS SULLEN

The engagement is announced of Maurice Narin, son of the late Mr. and Mrs. I. Narushkin, to Lily Sullen (Shulkind), daughter of Mrs. Shulkind and the late Mr. H. Shulkind, of 4, Westmoreland House, Fieldway Crescent, N.5.

MR. MONTAGUE POSTER AND MISS MANN

The engagement is announced of Mr. Montague Poster, son of Mrs. R. Poster and the late Mr. S. Poster, of 78, Nightingale Road, Clapton, to Miss Vera Mann, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. Mann, of 69, The Ridgeway, Golders Green.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Mann will be "At Home" on February 18, 1940, from 3 to 6 p.m.

MR. IVOR BERGER AND MISS HORWICH

The marriage of Ivor, elder son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Berger, of 27, Church Mount, N.2, to Evelyn, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Horwich, of 7, Hocroft Avenue, N.W.2, will be solemnised at the Golders Green Synagogue, Dunstan Road, on Sunday, February 18, 1940, at 4.30 p.m. Relatives and friends are asked to accept this as the only intimation.

MR. BEN. IZEN AND MISS EDELSTONE

The marriage of Mr. Ben. Izen to Frances, elder daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. Edelstone, of 68, Berwick Street, W.1 (late of Wembley), will be solemnised at the Westminster Palace Rooms, 44, Victoria Street, S.W.1, on Sunday, February 11, 1940, at 12.30 p.m.

DR. S. SHAW AND MISS WALLER

The marriage of Sidney Shaw, M.B., M.R.C.S., son of the late Mr. Samuel Shaw and Mrs. Shaw, of 16, Troutbeck Road, S.E.14, to Eileen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. Waller, of 215, Chamberlayne Road, N.W.10, will be solemnised quietly at Brondesbury Synagogue, Chevening Road, N.W.6, on Sunday, February 11, at 1 p.m.

MARRIAGES

DR. S. P. RAWSON AND MISS WOOLFSON

The marriage was solemnised on Sunday, February 4, 1940, at Ayr, of Simon Philip, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. Rosencweig, of "Grindon," Beechgrove Road, Newcastle-on-Tyne, to Pauline, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Woolfson, of 35, Maxwell Drive, Pollokshields, Glasgow.

THE WEEK'S PULPIT

LONDON

THIS (FRIDAY) EVENING

BRONDESBURY, Chevening Road, N.W. RABBI DR. I. GOODMAN, M.A.
Subject: "With Malice Toward None"

TO-MORROW (SABBATH)

BRONDESBURY, Chevening Road, N.W. RABBI DR. I. GOODMAN, M.A.
Subject: "The Sanctuary in Exile."
DALSTON, Poet's Road, N. RABBI DR. D. MARGULIES (of Salzburg)
Sermon in German.
HAMPSTEAD, Dennington Park Rd., N.W. REV. HARRIS SWIFT
ST. JOHN'S WOOD, Abbey Road, N.W. REV. S. CLAYMAN

SUNDAY

ST. JOHN'S WOOD ROAD (LIBERAL) RABBI R. H. LEVINE, B.A.
(Additional week-day service at 11.15)
Subject: "The Personal Factor in Human Betterment."

PROVINCIAL

TO-MORROW (SABBATH)

DUBLIN: NEW, Dolphin's Barn RABBI T. LEWIS

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

LONDON

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 9

BEN ZAKKAI, Rev. W. Morein, B.A., 237, Church St., N.16, 8.30
N.L. TORAH VA'AVODAH, Mr. Wolfe, 73, Bethune Rd., N.16, 8.30

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 10

LONDON JEWISH HOSPITAL (EASTERN BRANCH), Dance at Arthur Morton Dance Club, 14, St. Alban's Street, Haymarket, W.1 (Tickets 1/6)

THE BEN URI JEWISH ART GALLERY, in co-operation with the Jewish Free Reading Room. Lecture by Mr. Joseph Yahuda on "Democracy and Despotism Contrasted." Mr. Louis Golding in the Chair. 38, Adler Street, E.1, at 2.30 p.m. prompt.

"ZION" ASSOCIATION OF EAST LONDON, "Beth Zion" M'lava Malkah. Address by Mr. Henry Shaw. Rev. J. Dolinger will participate. Goide's Restaurant, Whitechapel Road, E., 7 p.m. (Admission 1/-)

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CALENDAR AND DIARY

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(I Adar 30 days)

Friday, February 9, to Friday, February 16
(Shevat 30 to I Adar 7)

FRIDAY (Shevat 30), February 9. First Day Rosh Chodesh I Adar. SABBATH BEGINS AT 4.30.

SATURDAY (I Adar 1), February 10. Second Day Rosh Chodesh I Adar. Portion of the Law (Torah) תרומה Exodus xxv. 1 to xxvii. 19 and Numbers xxviii. 9-15. Portion of Prophets (Haftara) Isaiah lxvi. 1-24.
SABBATH ENDS (IN LONDON) AT 5.47.

FRIDAY (I Adar 7), February 16.
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NOTABLE DAYS IN 1940

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II Adar	11	Fast of Esther.. ..	Thursday,	March	21
„	14	Purim	Sunday	„	24
Nisan	15	Passover, 1st day ..	Tuesday,	April	23
„	16	„ 2nd day ..	Wednesday	„	24
„	21	„ 7th day ..	Monday	„	29
„	22	„ 8th day ..	Tuesday	„	30
Iyar	18	33rd day of Omer ..	Sunday,	May	26
Sivan	6	Pentecost, 1st day ..	Wednesday,	June	12
„	7	„ 2nd day ..	Thursday	„	13
Tammuz	17	Fast of Tammuz ..	Tuesday,	July	23
Av	9	Fast of Av	Tuesday,	August	13
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Tishri	1	New Year, 1st day ..	Thursday,	October	3
„	2	„ 2nd day ..	Friday	„	4
„	4	Fast of Gedaliah ..	Sunday	„	6
„	10	Day of Atonement ..	Saturday	„	12
„	15	Tabernacles, 1st day..	Thursday	„	17
„	16	„ 2nd day..	Friday	„	18
„	21	Hosha'ana Rabba ..	Wednesday	„	23
„	22	Shemini Atseret ..	Thursday	„	24
„	23	Simchat Torah ..	Friday	„	25
Kislev	25	Chanucah	Wednesday,	December	25

Rashei Chodashim.—Shevat, January 11. *I Adar, February 10. *II Adar, March 11. Nisan, April 9. *Iyar, May 9. Sivan, June 7. *Tammuz, July 7. Av, August 5. *Ellul, September 4. *Marcheshvan, November 2. Kislev, December 1. *Tebeth, December 31.

**The previous day also is observed as Rosh Chodesh*

Forthcoming Events, continued

LONDON

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 11

Combined West Central Zionist Society, Camden Town Z.S., and W.C.Z.S. Youth Section, Members' Concert, Mr. M. Meisel and Co., St. James's Club, 14, Greek Street, W.1, 3 p.m. (Admission by programme.)

Grand Dance, Marcus Samuel Hall, 7 to 11 p.m. Comps. (1/6)

Harmony Club, 3, Broad Lane, N.15, Dance. 8. (1/-) Vis. wel.

"Ivri," Dance, Communal Hall, Forest Gate, 7-11 (Vis. 1/6)

Mowbray, Synagogue Hall, Mowbray Road, Edgware, Dance with Band. 7.15 to 10.45 (1/3)

Old Victorians' Club, Dance, Cabaret, etc., Adolph Tuck Hall, Woburn House, Upper Woburn Place, W.C.1, 7.30-12.

Onyx Club, Regal Ballroom, Golders Green, Les Leston presents another night of "Dancing and Swing," Band. 7 to 11. (1/6)

Union of Young Israel Societies, Borough, Wansey Street, Walworth, S.E.17, Variety Show, 3 o'clock; Dance, 7 to 11. (Admission: concert, 1/6 and 2/-; Dance, 1/6 and 2/-; Combined Tickets, 3/- and 4/-)

United Zionist Society, Grand Opening Gala, Film Show, "Homeland in the Making," and Neshef. 12, King Edward's Road, E.9, 7 p.m. (2/-, including refreshments)

Victoria & Chelsea Soc., Tea Dance, Pheasantry Club, King's Rd., Chelsea, next Classic Cinema, 3-6 (Vis. 2/-, Mems. 1/6)

West Central Club, 31, Alfred Place, W.C.1, "Valentine's Dance," to Band. 7 to 10.30 p.m. (Admission, members and associates 1/-; non-members 1/6)

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 12

Harcourt, 39, Upper Clapton Rd., E.5, Table Tennis. 8.30 p.m.

Old Boys' Club, Mr. W. J. Brown on "Things in General." 8.30

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 13

Harcourt, 39, Upper Clapton Road, E.5, Mr. Philip Ross on "Divorce." 8.30 p.m.

Zebulun, 49, Upper Clapton Rd., E.5, Puzzle Corner, 8.30

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 14

Finsbury Park Y.I.S., Mozart House, Albion Road, N.16, Programme Evening. 8 p.m.

Harmony Club, "Hocus Pocus" Night. 8 p.m. (6d.)

South Y.I.S., 104, Bolingbroke Grove, S.W., St. Valentine's Dance to Full Band, Novelties. 7.30 (1/6)

United Zionist Society, Lecture by Mr. Moshe Pearlman, 12, King Edward's Road, E.9, 8.30 p.m.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 15

Harcourt, 39, Upper Clapton Road, E.5, Social. 8.30 p.m.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 18

B.J.Y.C. Presents Grand Troops' Charity Ball.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 29

S.E. and Central Y.I.S., Leap Year Ball, Woburn House, Upper Woburn Place, W.C.1 (2/6)

PROVINCIAL

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 11

BLACKPOOL

Polish-Jewish Refugee Fund, Collinson's Café. Chairman: Alderman John Potter, J.P. (ex-M.P.), Deputy Mayor. Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Myers will receive the guests for introduction to Commander O. Locker-Lampson, M.P., 3 p.m.

LIVERPOOL

Fairfield Syn., "Krazy Hop," Harold Hse., 7.30-11.30. (2/6)

Young Maccabeans, Informal "Hop," Zion House, 7 to 11. (Members 6d. friends 9d.)

Zionist Central Council, Zionist Celebrity Lecture. Address by Mr. J. L. Cohen, M.A., on "The War and the Near East," Zion House, 8, Alexander Terrace, Princes Road, 3 p.m.

OXFORD

Zionist Society, jointly with Oxford Jewish Students' Society, Public Meeting. Address by Professor S. Brodetsky, M.A., Ph.D. Randolph Hotel, 4 p.m.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 12

LIVERPOOL:

L.Z. Association, Pleasant Afternoon. Hostess: Mrs. Louis Broudie. 2.30. (1/-)

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 20

LIVERPOOL

Moonlight Dance in aid J.N.F., Reece's Ballroom (5/6 inc.)

Inquiries regarding all matters for advertisement columns from the Manchester district should be addressed to: Mr. David Bladon, 53, Agecroft Road East, Prestwich. 'Phone: PREstwich 2899.

Mr. Frederick Ost, who is a Czech refugee, is to give his first lecture in English on February 13, at 5 p.m. at Friends House, Euston Road, in the series organised by the Friends Service Council, International Student Club. His subject is "Lessing or Vrchlicky" ("Nathan the Wise" or "The Rabbi's Wisdom").

Butcher Row, Aldgate, the centre of the kasher meat trade, has been closed for "the duration" at least. All meat is now controlled by the Government, and it was in accordance with an official scheme that the kasher meat trade was transferred to the Islington Cattle market.

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Provincial News

JEWISH ECCLESIASTICAL COUNCIL OF MANCHESTER

A Valuable Movement

[*From our Correspondent*]

A general meeting of the Jewish Ecclesiastical Council of Manchester and Salford was held last week at 149, Cheetham Hill Road. The Communal Rabbi, Dr. A. Altmann, who was in the Chair, paid a tribute to the memory of the late Rev. Victor Schlesinger, a Vice-President of the Council. Later in the proceedings, the Rev. S. Hershman was elected Vice-President to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Mr. Schlesinger.

Dr. Altmann gave a report on the work of the Council. He said that it had already established itself in the Community, and was now consulted on all matters relating to religious welfare. That was amply illustrated by the fact that the Ecclesiastical Council had been immediately called in when the problems of evacuated Jewish children had arisen. Indeed, the Executive of the Council actually constituted the Education Sub-Committee of the Evacuation Co-ordinating Committee. The Communal Rabbi also announced that, as a result of the efforts of the Beth Din, a number of caterers had now signed an agreement which provided that there should be a proper supervision of Kashrut at every function for which they catered.

The Synagogues and the J.N.F.

The Rev. B. M. Casper was elected Hon. Secretary of the Council in succession to Rabbi K. Rosen, who had resigned on account of pressure of other work. Mr. Casper made a statement on the relation of the Synagogues to J.N.F. work and Zionist activities as a whole. He urged that the Synagogue, as the most typical and representative Jewish institution, ought to be in the forefront of the work for the rebuilding of Jewish life and of Eretz Yisrael, which affected world Jewry so vitally. Such activity would, he said, strengthen the position of the Synagogue in the Community and enable it to assert an influence on the course of Zionism. Mr. Casper suggested that all Ministers should support the idea of setting up Palestine Committees in their respective Synagogues, and this was unanimously agreed to.

The Chairman urged the members of the Council to give as much help as possible to the local Yeshiva. The Revs. Dr. I. W. Slotki, S. Freedberg, M. A. Jaffe, and Mr. Lajos took part in a discussion.

The next lecture in the series arranged by the Dr. Moses Gaster Lodge of the B'nai B'rith will be delivered next Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock at the Midland Hotel, Manchester, when Dr. E. I. J. Rosenthal, of the Semitics Department of Manchester University, will speak on "Rashi—the Man and Teacher."

The luncheon arranged by the Manchester Women's Appeal Committee for Jewish Child Victims of Persecution at the Midland Hotel on Wednesday, February 14, will commence at 12.45 p.m., and not at 1.45 p.m. as previously announced.

The sum of £350 has been handed over to the Mayor of Salford's War Distress Fund as the result of the concert arranged by the Premier Social Club last week at the Carlton Theatre, Cross Lane, when they presented the Jewish Amateur Minstrels' 1940 production "Minstrels on Parade." The Mayor of Salford expressed thanks to the organisers for their support. Mr. Henry Ginsberg (President of the Club) thanked all the helpers, including Alderman Kearns, J.P., Messrs. M. Fisher and G. Demmy, and Mr. Buckley, who had lent the theatre free for the concert. Alderman Kearns and Councillor Norbury thanked the Minstrels, for whom Mr. Aaron and Mr. S. B. Rothstein (the producer) responded. 200 soldiers were admitted free to the concert. In addition to the minstrel troupe, Reginald Liversedge, at the organ, and Harry Clynes and his band provided musical entertainment.

At a recent meeting of the Evacuation Education Committee of the Council of Manchester and Salford Jews, presided over by the Communal Rabbi, reports were considered of the Jewish educational arrangements in force in various reception areas. The reports showed that the numbers of Jewish children evacuated at the beginning of January were only slightly less than prior to the Christmas holidays, and it was most desirable that the arrangements for regular Hebrew instruction made by the Committee should continue.

The Sydney Frankenburg branch of the British Legion held a social evening at their headquarters in Queen's Road, Cheetham, recently, when the Palestine film "Homeland in the Making" was shown. Mr. J. Solomon, Hon. Secretary of the Manchester Jewish National Fund Commission, described the absorption of European refugees into the Palestine settlements. Several non-Jewish ex-Servicemen present (including Mr. Stringer, V.C.) expressed their admiration at Jewish achievement in Palestine.

MANCHESTER ENTERTAINMENTS

"Thunder Afloat," which is at the Deansgate next week, is a timely, topical melodrama of sea thrills with the improvised sub-chaser fleet and its courageous, untrained men who met the U-boat menace in 1918. Wallace Beery, Chester Morris, and Virginia Grey give superb performances in a story based on actual naval history.

HIGH CHARGES FOR KASHER MEAT

Protest at Glasgow Shechita Board

[*From our Correspondent*]

A strong protest against the high charges for kasher meat was made at the annual meeting of the Glasgow Board of Shechita held last week. Mr. Levy, of the local Workers' Circle, declared that the present prices were inflicting serious hardship on the mass of Jewish working people in Glasgow.

The formation of a Sub-Committee, whose duty it would be to see that publicity was given to the Ministry of Food notice regarding the maximum prices for kasher meat, was suggested by Mr. Bloom.

Mr. B. Strump, J.P., who presided, said that it was the duty of the Board of Shechita to maintain a vigilant watch and to see that the maximum prices were not exceeded. He also advised members of the Community to study the Ministry of Food's price lists, and to report to the Board any attempts at overcharging.

Referring to the fact that the charge of 1d. per lb. for Shechita was higher than in the past, Mr. Finestone said that the actual income of the Board would be reduced because rationing necessarily meant that a smaller number of cattle would be used. It was also stated that no extra charge was made to butchers for the actual killing, and that the figure of 1d. per lb. covered supervision and killing.

The present officers were re-elected en bloc, and the following members of the Community were elected to the Board: Sir Maurice Bloch, J.P., Messrs. H. Finestone, A. Goldberg, and M. Goldfush.

The project for the establishment of a hostel at Skelmorlie was recently advanced a stage further when, at a meeting with Mr. L. Jackson in the Chair, the Hebrew Education Board Emergency Committee decided to inform the Glasgow Education authority that they were definitely going to proceed with the scheme. The Glasgow authority is to be requested to send their Master of Works to inspect the house at Skelmorlie with a view to reporting on its suitability. It was decided that, owing to the type of accommodation available, the hostel should cater for boys only. Accommodation would be provided for fifty boys at the start, but it is estimated that when the scheme is fully developed at least 100 boys would be in residence.

The Giffnock and Newlands Jewish Ladies' branch of the Women's Voluntary Service has received a letter from Mrs. R. Stirling Brown, the Centre Leader, expressing appreciation of the work done by the branch. Since its inception, the branch has forwarded 182 articles and a sum of £27.

Jewish achievements in Palestine were described by Mr. A. Lever, of Glasgow, in an address which he recently gave to the Dunoon Business Club. In a subsequent discussion, Provost MacFarlane said that he had served in Palestine during the last war and had seen the birth of Tel-Aviv. Only a short distance from this garden city he had come into contact with Arabs, living in their miserable, squalid surroundings. He was convinced, from his own knowledge of the country, that the influx of Jews into Palestine had been of incalculable value to every section of the Arab community, and they had no cause whatever to resent the presence of Jews in greater numbers than hitherto.

Speaking on the Youth Aliyah at a meeting of the Glasgow Women's Appeal Committee last week, Mrs. M. T. Mann said it was the duty of every Jewish mother, living in this country in comfort, with her children beside her, to support the Committee in their efforts to help the tragic child victims of Nazism and the war, to be settled in happier surroundings.

At the annual meeting of the local Jewish Workers' Circle, held last week, it was reported that the financial position was good, and that a considerable amount had been accumulated for the building fund. The following were elected: Messrs. P. Shapiro, Chairman; F. Babbin, Vice-Chairman; I. Levy, Treasurer; M. Sragowitz, Secretary; and L. Gradman, Assistant Secretary.

One thousand knitted comforts, the work of the girls and women employed by Messrs. Morrison, Ltd., Costumiers, of Glasgow, were formally handed over to Mrs. Agnes Dollan, convener of the Glasgow Women's Committee last Friday. Mr. Jack Morrison, Chairman of the firm, said that the staff intended to carry out another knitting effort for the fund. The Lord Provost, Mr. P. J. Dollan, said that he hoped that other Glasgow warehouses would consider undertaking a similar scheme on behalf of the Fund.

DEANSGATE Picture House, Manchester. Cont. from 12 noon.
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CARDIFF'S TWO MINDS

An Induction and a Visit

Two meetings of some importance were held in Cardiff on Sunday.

At the Windsor Place Congregational Council it was decided to rescind a previous decision and to co-operate with the Cathedral Road Congregation in the induction of the Rav of Cardiff, Rabbi M. E. Rogosnitsky, which was to have taken place next Sunday at the Cathedral Road Synagogue.

The Cathedral Road Synagogue Council also held a meeting, and they, too, decided to rescind a minute previously passed. They decided *not to* hold the induction service for the Rav.

It was also decided to inform the Beth Din in London and the proposed Commission of Dayanim who (as reported in "Incidentally" in this paper last week) were to have visited Cardiff this week that the Cathedral Road Synagogue Council believed that no useful purpose could be served by the proposed visit. In fact, it was added, they were not interested in the visit.

It is understood that the Commission, which was to have reached Cardiff on Monday this week, has postponed its visit till next Sunday, February 11.

A smoking concert in aid of the Comforts Fund for Jewish men of H.M. Forces was held at the Jewish Institute and Social Club. Mr. A. Arbis presided. Among the artists were Mesdames Jessel (Leah Stone), S. Lewis. and S. Krotosky, the Misses M. Hart, M. O'Shea, and G. Millar, and Messrs. E. Harris and A. Arbis. Mr. Mannie Hart, Chairman of the Club, thanked the artists. Another ninety parcels have been dispatched by the Club to Jewish men in H.M. Forces.

ZIONISTS MEET AT PLYMOUTH

Under the auspices of the Plymouth Zionist Society, a public meeting was held on Sunday at the Belgrave Cinema, and was attended by, among others, the Lady Mayoress (Lady Astor) and the Deputy Mayor and Deputy Mayoress (Alderman and Mrs. W. J. Modley). Mr. Maurice Rosetté, Secretary of the Jewish National Fund, and Dr. Dov Biegun, formerly of the Prague TAGENBLATT, delivered addresses. The film "The Land of Promise" was shown.

Dr. Biegun traced the social and economic changes which had brought disaster to the Jews of Europe and their prospects after a victorious peace. He said that Palestine would be the first and vital factor in solving the huge problem of immigration that will arise immediately after this war.

Mr. Rosetté appealed to the British public for a sympathetic understanding of Jewish problems in Palestine, and recounted the remarkable achievements of the Jewish people. He said it was the profound desire of the Jewish people to make Palestine a strong link in the British commonwealth.

Lady Astor said she could not understand any Jew who failed to take pride in this great work. She told a very interesting story illustrating the sympathy of the Queen, when Duchess of York, for persecuted Jewry. (Reference to this is made in "Deborah says . . ." on the Home Page of this issue.)

A vote of thanks to the Lord Mayor, Lady Astor, and Councillor A. Goldberg was proposed by Mr. I. Cohen and seconded by the Rev. M. Goodman. The proprietor of the cinema was thanked, on the proposal of Mr. S. Roseman, the Secretary of the Society, seconded by Mr. I. Bromberg. The Rev. W. Wolfson, Chairman of the Society, who was prevented by illness from being present, co-operated in the arrangements.

BIRMINGHAM

The Young Israel Society gave a dramatic entertainment on Sunday at the Communal Hall. Outstanding among the performers were the Misses B. Ostrov, L. Brohn, L. Teofil, B. Leverton, R. Myers, J. Morris and P. Jacobs, and Messrs. R. Ploskin, H. Morris, and I. Leverton. The producer was Miss J. Morris, and Mr. H. Summers was stage manager.

A satisfactory year of work was reported by Mr. M. Levine, at the third annual meeting of the Eva Bloom and Frederick Jacombs Social Club held recently at Victory House, Hurst Street. The balance-sheet showed an excess of income over expenditure for the year of £137. The Chairman paid a tribute to the work of Mr. H. Goldstone, the Secretary; Mr. A. Stone, Treasurer; and Messrs. J. Hassell and L. Ward.

BLACKPOOL

Saturday afternoon Hebrew and religion classes for boy evacuees are being held at the Leamington Road Synagogue Rooms under the direction of Mr. Alec Kesselman.

The Jewish Ladies' Knitting Guild (War Comforts) has already handed over nearly 100 knitted garments to the Town Hall central depot. Mrs. S. Thursz is the Hon. Secretary of the Guild.

BOURNEMOUTH

A successful dance was held recently in the Synagogue Hall, Wootton Gardens, to mark the opening of the newly formed Bournemouth Jewish Social Club. Social evenings will be held every Tuesday in the Synagogue Hall and various functions, including debates, etc., every Sunday. The following are the officers: the Rev. C. L. Heilpern, Hon. President; Messrs. M. M. Lewis, Hon. Vice-President; N. Levy, Chairman; J. Lewis, Vice-Chairman; A. Citron, Treasurer; Miss S. Cohen, Hon. Secretary; and Messrs. J. Citron and A. Citron and the Misses Galan, Sloman, Moiser, and Lewis, Committee.

BRADFORD

Mr. H. Shaffner presided last Sunday at the annual meeting of the Hebrew Congregation. Mr. Alfred Cope presented the balance-sheet. The following were elected: Messrs. H. Shaffner, President; Alfred Cope, Treasurer; Maurice J. Benson, Hon. Secretary; A. Levi, Gabbai of the Chevra Kadisha; Drs. H. E. Compton, H. Fidler, and M. Richmond, Messrs. M. Brown, B. Goldman, Leonard Hyman, L. Jerome, P. Jerome, M. Levin, and A. Nathanson, Council. The President, in his report, thanked the Treasurer and the members of the Council for their co-operation. In the School Report, the Headmaster, the Rev. J. Israelstam referred to the war-time reorganisation of the Hebrew and Religion Classes, and to the endeavours made to keep in touch with evacuated children.

Professor S. Brodetsky, who recently joined the National Executive of the League of Nations' Union, addressed a crowded meeting recently, under the auspices of the local Council of the Union, on the subject of "Post-War Problems." The Lord Mayor of Bradford presided.

BRIGHTON AND HOVE

The Jewish Convalescent Home for Boys in Montgomery Street, Hove, has helped with the reception of evacuees. Under the direction of the Rev. K. Fausner, a choir has been formed from these boys for the services at the Hove Synagogue.

Last week, the annual meetings of the local Men's and Women's Lodges of B'nai B'rith were held under the Chairmanship of their respective Presidents, Bro. Reuben Lieberman and Mrs. L. C. Barder. It was reported that the social and philanthropic work of the Women's Lodge had included the raising of some £300 for charity during the year.

A successful entertainment, in aid of the local Jewish Board of Guardians, was organised by Mr. Harry Jacobs, the Hon. Secretary, and Mrs. Elsie Lewis, at 7, Brunswick Terrace, Hove (by invitation of Mr. and Mrs. Apfel).

A Congregation has been formed at Rottingdean (near Brighton). Services are held every Sabbath morning at 10 o'clock at Woodstock House, Marine Drive, by permission of Mr. and Mrs. A. Segalov. A Chevra Gemara has also been inaugurated. Mr. J. Litvin acts as Minister and Secretary and conducts the Shiur. All Jewish residents in the neighbourhood of Rottingdean and Saltdean will be cordially welcomed.

The Senior Literary and Debating Society of Whittingehame College discussed last week the motion "That conscientious objectors should not be allowed in time of war." Messrs. A. A. S. Coutts and G. Schottlander proposed the motion, and Messrs. S. Babiacki and P. Gorb opposed. Mr. W. W. Stanton presided. The motion was defeated. At the meeting of the Junior Society, the motion discussed was "That hunting should be abolished." This was proposed by Messrs. M. Stok and M. Cinna and opposed by Messrs. B. Myers and P. Nidditch. The motion was lost. Dr. A. Meier was in the Chair.

At a meeting of the West Hove Ladies' Aid Society held at the house of the Chairman (Mrs. Mark Boxer, 18, Titian Road), the following amounts were granted: £3 3s. to the Marmion Road Hebrew Classes and £1 1s. each to the Brighton Jewish Board of Guardians and the local Polish Refugee Fund. Mrs. P. Goldberg, 24, Laurence Road, Hove, is Treasurer of the Society.

BRISTOL

The first annual meeting of the Jewish Refugees' Aid Committee was held on Sunday at the Synagogue Rooms, Park Row, with Mr. H. Salanson in the Chair. In a report of the year's work, the Rev. L. Sanker, Hon. Secretary, said that the hostel had been practically full throughout the year. He appealed to the members of the Community to maintain their subscriptions. Mrs. N. Sacof and all the helpers at the hostel were thanked for their valued services. The report and balance-sheet, presented by the Treasurer, Mr. B. Spielman, were adopted. The election resulted as follows: Messrs. H. Salanson, Chairman; B. Spielman, Treasurer; the Rev. L. M. Sanker, Hon. Secretary; Mesdames A. I. Polack, N. Sacof, S. Wigoder, the Rev. S. Susman, and Messrs. A. I. Polack, S. J. Alexander, S. Jacobs, S. Bradley, M. Dobois, and A. Goldman, Committee; A. Mass and C. J. Tanchan, Auditors. At the conclusion of the meeting tea was provided. The catering arrangements were in the hands of Mr. and Mrs. Schwartz, the Hostel Wardens.

CAMBRIDGE

The local Gedud of Habonim, set up to cater for children evacuated to Cambridge, recommenced its meetings last week. The Gedud meets in the Synagogue Rooms every Thursday evening. The Rosh is S. G. Cohen (Queen's).

Two Jewish refugees from Prague—Dr. Olga Wolf and Dr. Weil—at present living in Peterborough, were married last week at the Cambridge Synagogue, Thompson's Lane. Mr. M. Richardson (Emmanuel) and Rabbi Ehrentreu officiated.

DONCASTER

A "Havdalah" spice box was presented last week to the Hebrew Congregation by Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Kirsch, of Bawtry Road, Bessacarr. Mr. M. Puckatch, the Treasurer, and the Rev. I. Chazen acknowledged the gift on behalf of the Congregation.

EAST HORSLEY

The first Barmitzvah in this Surrey townlet, now a centre of evacuation, was celebrated on Sabbath last, when Anthony Laurence Burstein, of Westcliff, read his Parsha at "Stepping Stones," where a temporary Synagogue has been completely fitted by the kindness of the Southend and Westcliff Hebrew Congregation, the President of which, Mr. Leon Feitelson, is the grandfather of the Barmitzvah. The Rev. A. Plaskow conducted the service, after which a reception was held at which thanks were tendered to the Southend Community for the loan of the Sefer Torah and other ritual appurtenances.

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PROVINCIAL NEWS *continued*

EDINBURGH

At a meeting of the Jewish Christian Fellowship, held last week at the Fountainhall Road Church Hall, the Jewish and Christian attitudes to war were defined by Rabbi Dr. Salis Daiches and the Rev. D. W. P. Strang, respectively. The Rev. Magnus Nicholson presided. A discussion followed. Mr. R. Cohen moved a vote of thanks to the speakers and the Chairman.

The Jewish Ex-Servicemen's Branch of the British Legion held its annual meeting last week at the Masonic Hall, Duncan Street, with Mr. R. Cohen in the Chair. The balance-sheet, submitted by Mr. E. Dresner, the Treasurer, was adopted. The Chairman said that arrangements were being made in conjunction with the Edinburgh Jewish War-Services Committee to utilise the Club Rooms for Jewish serving men and women stationed in the district. The following were elected: Messrs. R. Cohen, President; H. Simon, Vice-President; E. Dresner, Treasurer; E. Benjamin, Hon. Secretary; Rabbi Dr. Salis Daiches, Hon. Chaplain; Messrs. H. J. Green and S. Levvey, Auditors; and a Committee of ten.

HARROGATE

Professor J. H. Richardson, Montague Burton Professor of Industrial Relations at Leeds University, lectured to the Jewish Literary and Social Union in the Rose Goodman Schoolroom last Sunday on "War Aims and Peace Aims." Mr. S. H. Burton presided. A discussion followed.

HULL

In order to establish a meeting place for local Jewish refugees, a club, known as "The Anchor," was recently formed, and meets at 84, Beverley Road, on Sunday afternoons. The Club has a membership of 120. The officers are: Messrs. L. Rubel, Chairman; A. Abrahams, Treasurer; I. Phillip, Hon. Secretary; Miss G. Casparius, Assistant Secretary; and a Committee.

Mrs. Benno Pearlman, J.P., and the Lady Mayoress organised a successful ball at the City Hall recently in aid of the funds for Hospital Supplies and Comforts for the Forces.

LEEDS

Preaching at the New Synagogue, the Rev. A. S. Super dealt with the problem of Jewish suffering and despondency in modern times. He said that the root cause of Jewish hopelessness was not persecution, ill-treatment, or the unsettled future which confronted all people at the present time. Every nation was haunted with the spectre of aggression, with the consequent loss of freedom and all that it implied. The root cause of Jewish suffering was really ignorance. There was no uniting force in Israel to-day.

LEICESTER

The Jewish Literary and Drama Society held a debate at the Jewish Club on the subject: "That the tendency of Anglo-Jewish youth towards assimilation is undesirable." Messrs. B. Alton and K. Most proposed the motion, and Mesdames D. Gould and Frazer opposed. Mr. Mark J. Rees presided.

LIVERPOOL

The Jewish Literary Society has resumed its activities. A syllabus of lectures has been drawn up and meetings will be held regularly at the Royal Institution, Colquitt Street. The first of these meetings was held last week, when Mrs. Simon-Owert, formerly of Berlin, spoke of the conditions of Jewish life in Germany under the Nazi regime. Mr. Joseph Norton presided. At the second meeting of the session of the Literary Society Mr. George Bean, who recently returned from a visit to the United States as Captain of the English Universities' Debating Team, delivered a lecture entitled "American Journey—the Impressions of a 9,000 Miles Tour." Mr. Joseph Norton was in the Chair.

Mr. Bertram B. Benas, J.P., delivered the first of the present session's talks in the Library of the Athenaeum last week, his subject being "Books on the Law and the Constitution."

Rabbi Dr. S. M. Lehrman addressed a meeting of the Torah Va'avodah at Zion House last week on the subject of "The Present Problems of Jewish Youth." Miss M. Hovsha presided.

The name of Mr. M. J. Glassman was inadvertently omitted from the list of Executive members of the Jewish National Fund Commission given in the report of the Commission's annual meeting in a recent issue.

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NEWCASTLE-ON-TYNE

At the annual meeting of the local Board of Shechita, held recently at the Synagogue Chambers, with Mr. J. Levene in the Chair, Mr. A. Weiner, the Treasurer, presented a satisfactory balance-sheet. Tributes were paid to the Chairman and the Shochetim for their services. Messrs. J. Levene and A. Weiner were re-elected President and Treasurer respectively, and Mr. L. Graham was elected Hon. Secretary.

NORTHAMPTON

Mr. S. Birkbeck recently delivered an address on "Evacuation" to the Jewish Discussion Group. Mr. Saul Doffman presided. The Discussion Group, organised by Mr. S. Swager, meets every Saturday afternoon at the Milton Street Hall.

OXFORD

In a leading article, the OXFORD TIMES supports the appeal for the local Refugee Committee launched by the Mayor and the Vice-Chancellor, and stresses how urgent is the need "for further funds to assist these unhappy victims of Nazi persecution."

An event of great local interest occurred recently when Mr. and Mrs. M. Marks, formerly of London and now resident in Oxford, celebrated their Golden Wedding. Mr. Marks was "called" to the reading of the Law last Sabbath at the Richmond Road Synagogue, where he regularly attends the services. Both he and Mrs. Marks are happily in robust health.

SHEFFORD

A fire broke out last week at the Cinema Hall at Shefford. This hall, by the kindness of Mr. Bruce King, of Shefford, had been placed at the disposal of the Jewish Secondary Schools evacuated to the town, and was used as a canteen, social centre, club rooms, Yeshiva, and place of worship. The Jewish Secondary Schools, which, when they evacuated, took with them 250 refugee children, are now in a very difficult position. Donations for acquiring new premises and replacements of the burnt property, including canteen equipment, books, furniture, clothes, games, etc., should be sent to Dr. J. Grunfeld, 3, New Street, Shefford, Beds.

SOUTHEND AND WESTCLIFF

It was reported at last Sunday's meeting of the Synagogue Council, held at Alexandra Road Synagogue Chambers, that Rabbi Dr. Jacobovitz, representing the Rabbinical Commission for Shechita of the London Beth Din, had made an inspection of the arrangements in the town for the proper carrying out of strict Shechita. A letter had subsequently been received expressing complete satisfaction with the system in force.

SOUTHPORT

Rabbi Dr. A. E. Silverstone has this session been more than usually active in lecturing to non-Jewish gatherings because he feels that these lectures afford him an opportunity of promoting better feeling between Jew and non-Jew. His subjects have been "What is Freedom?" "Liberty and Law," Hebrew Legends," and "The Jew and Tolerance." At the end of each lecture, Dr. Silverstone distributed a large number of Jewish defence leaflets.

The first meeting of the recently formed Polish Refugee Fund Committee in Southport has been held. Dr. Alfred M. Abrahams is Chairman, Mrs. H. Brodie is Treasurer, and Miss Nancy Levy is Hon. Secretary.

WORTHING

At the inaugural meeting of the Jewish Ladies' Guild, held at 1, Heene Terrace (by permission of Mrs. Hames) the following were elected: Mesdames Freedman, President; Gordon, Vice-President; Rosen, Chairman; Taylor, Treasurer; and a Committee of ten. The Guild will meet weekly at the residences of various members. Further details about the Guild can be had from the Secretary, Mrs. Rosenthal, 30, Broadwater Way, Worthing.

EIRE

DUBLIN

In celebration of their silver wedding, Mr. and Mrs. L. Levinson have created a fund at the Dublin Jewish Board of Guardians to be styled the "Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Levinson Trust Fund." In addition, donations to various other charitable institutions were made. Mr. Levinson is a well-known communal worker and has been associated with the Board of Guardians for over twenty years. In appreciation of his fine work he was elected a Life Vice-President.

THE PROBLEM OF EVACUATION

Work of Central Jewish Committee

The Central Jewish Committee for Problems of Evacuation was set up primarily to co-ordinate the work being done by the various organisations dealing with problems of evacuation so as to avoid, as far as possible, duplication of effort and waste of personnel and money.

The Central Committee has concerned itself with the provision of kasher food for evacuees, and through the agency of the Chief Rabbi's (Kasher Canteen) Committee, which is affiliated to this Committee, several canteens are in existence, and others will be provided as funds allow.

The provision of clubs for social activities is receiving the attention of the Committee. In addition to numerous teachers who are evacuated with other schools and who act as honorary correspondents to this Committee.

It must be stressed that the sphere of the Committee's usefulness depends on the funds at their disposal. All contributions will be welcome and cheques should be made payable to the Central Jewish Committee for Problems of Evacuation, and addressed to the Secretary of the Committee. Woburn House, Upper Woburn Place, London, W.C.1.

Jewish Defence

MOSLEY'S MANCHESTER MEETING

Questions Feebly Evaded

PERORATION IN HITLER STYLE

[*From a Correspondent*]

There were some lively scenes when Mosley spoke at the Manchester Free Trade Hall on Sunday afternoon to an audience of about 2,000. Sixty per cent. of those present gave the Fascist salute and may thus be judged to be sympathetic to Mosley's movement.

Mosley was heckled by several persons in the gallery. One man successfully resisted the threatening advances of half-a-dozen stewards and walked out of the hall quite nonchalantly, but another man in the gallery who interrupted was set upon by stewards. The heckler got hold of a chair with which to defend himself, but was soon overpowered and ejected. A little later, a companion of the ejected heckler came back into the hall and complained to Mosley that the heckler had been ill-used and hit with rubber tubings.

Towards the end of his speech, Mosley became the mass demagogue, shrieking furiously in the Hitler style and declaiming as usual against "Jewish financiers," in whose interests, he said, the present war was being carried on.

Mosley and Slum Property

When asked what he did with the income from the slum houses which he owned in the Manchester area, Mosley replied that he had no such slum houses, and whatever returns were shown from his property he handed over to his organisation.

There was a loud uproar in the hall when Mosley failed to answer a question as to why he kept on referring to "Jewish financiers" when there were scores of well-known non-Jewish financiers.

At another point in the proceedings, Mosley put forward the old lie that unemployed British youths were being sent to Australia while Jewish refugees were allowed to enter England and obtain employment with Jewish firms.

In reply to a question on the Hon. Unity Mitford, Mosley said that his sister-in-law had been much criticised and that Mr. Herbert Morrison had stated in the House of Commons that she had been assisting the enemy since the war. Mosley denied this charge.

FASCISTS' HECKLING CAMPAIGN

Interruptions at Public Meetings

As the effective forces of the Fascists are declining, because the public is beginning to wake up to their spiritual connection with the Nazis, the Fascists are seeking to compensate by making much noise. Their latest method is to invade public meetings and cause disturbances while shouting "We want peace."

An example of this trick occurred last week at a meeting called by the Women's League against War and Fascism at the Kingsway Hall, W.C. The speakers, who included Mrs. Charlotte Haldane, had urged the cessation of the war, but evidently their ideas of peace did not coincide with those of the Fascists.

The interruptions occurred when a play, "Children Calling," was being performed. There was a shower of leaflets, and a number of women began to shout "Mosley for Peace." A rough and tumble followed, and the interrupters were ejected.

What was most interesting was the manner in which these Fascists were repudiated by those present. "We don't want anything to do with Mosley," one of the audience said. Another, a working-class woman from the Docks, said: "Down with Mosley and all the Fascists! The only peace that they want is a Fascist peace—and that means general poverty and destruction."

Some Fascist interrupters were ejected from a meeting addressed by Mr. Oliver Stanley, the War Minister, at Newcastle-on-Tyne last Saturday. The interruptions were similar to those made at the meeting addressed by Mr. Winston Churchill during the previous week and seem to be part of the present policy of making up for lack of public following by just making a noise.

MR. ERNEST BROWN, Minister of Labour, paid a high tribute to his colleague at the Ministry, the late Humbert Wolfe, the poet, when he presided in London at a Wolfe memorial meeting arranged on behalf of the Poetry Society by Professor Guy Pertwee. Mr. Brown said that Humbert Wolfe had the most vivid personality of anyone he had ever met. He knew him very closely as a distinguished and brilliant civil servant.

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About Books . . .

"I WORSHIP TRUTH"

The Life and Work of Mahatma Gandhi

Mahatma Gandhi, Essays and Reflections on his Life and Work. Edited by S. RADHAKRISHNAN. *George Allen and Unwin.* *7s. 6d.*

Reviewed by Sir Philip Hartog, K.B.E.

This is a remarkable tribute to an amazing man by some sixty prominent men and women belonging to the most varied schools of political, religious, and philosophical thought, yet united in homage to the most unpretentious and humble figure that the world has ever called great. And it is characteristic of Mr. Gandhi's humility that it is a humility without arrogance and without pride, a humility that allows him to confess that in any one of his actions he may have been mistaken.

But these negative or semi-negative statements do not give the key to the man. That lies in his religious belief. In the introduction to his autobiography, he writes:

"I worship God as Truth only. I have not yet found Him, but I am seeking after Him. I am prepared to sacrifice the things dearest to me in pursuit of the quest. Even if the sacrifice demanded be my very life I hope I may be prepared to give it. But as long as I have not realised this absolute Truth, so long must I hold by the relative truth as I have conceived it. That relative truth must, meanwhile, be my beacon, my shield and buckler. . . . Let hundreds like me perish, but let truth prevail."

But if Mr. Gandhi, once a dapper and prosperous barrister, has become a barely clad ascetic, and won the admiration of millions of his fellow-countrymen in part because of that, his asceticism, unlike that of most Indian ascetics, translates belief into action for his fellow-men, and in this his belief is like the old Hebrew religion.

It is useless to try to classify Mr. Gandhi by comparing him to other great men or other great reformers. Mr. Gandhi was once asked if he was not a saint trying to be a politician, to which he replied that he was a politician trying his hardest to become a saint. This spiritual believer is a man of action, knowing the ways of men, with a keen intelligence, a great mastery and subtlety of expression, a charming sense of humour, a negotiator and a diplomat.

A Stupendous Problem

At this moment he is engaged in trying to solve one of the greatest problems that could fall to the lot of any statesman—the peaceful transformation of the present constitution of India into something stable and satisfying both to India and to Britain; satisfying to the great Hindu majority of 239 millions and to the Muslim minority of 78 millions, to the self-governing Provinces and to the self-governing States.

From the first, Mr. Gandhi, though an ultra-pacifist, has proclaimed his goodwill to the democracies in their present struggle with tyranny and oppression. He has proclaimed specifically his sympathy with the persecuted Jews in their suffering, and did not hesitate last summer to withdraw without reserve a mistaken assertion that the Jews were anxious for a world war in order to defeat Hitler.

Mr. Gandhi has friends and admirers among men of all creeds. Einstein, Lord Samuel, and Arnold Zweig, the novelist, as well as Mr. H. S. L. Polak, his life-long friend and co-worker in South Africa, are among the Jewish contributors to this volume, which has a psychological interest all its own, for in painting Mr. Gandhi many of the writers unconsciously depict themselves. And in not a few of the portraits there is not only praise but criticism of the model.

It should be finally added that the book contains extracts from Mr. Gandhi's own writings which give an illuminating insight into his personal character and his outlook on religion.

HEBREW POETRY

The Biblical and the Spanish Periods

David Yellin: Selected Writings. Vol. 2. *Jerusalem.* 1939.

Reviewed by Dr. L. V. Snowman

This volume, published by a committee which organised the seventy-fifth birthday celebrations of the famous Palestinian scholar, consists of two works.

The first is a study of the rhetoric of the Bible. Although gentile scholars, from Herder onwards, have written frequently of the literary value of ancient Hebrew poetry, there has been no Jewish writer on the subject since Solomon Löwisohn's "Melitzath Jeshurun" appeared a century ago. The particular value of Professor Yellin's work is that it is based on a comparison with Arabic forms of poetry, and he confesses that he was led to the subject from his study of the influence of those forms on Hebrew poetry in the Spanish epoch.

The second part consists of essays on mediaeval Hebrew poetry, pride of place being given to Samuel Hanagid. It is only in very recent years that the work of this leader of Spanish Jewry has been made available by Mr. David Sassoon. And it has revealed what a remarkable man he really was, grammarian, Talmudist, poet, statesman and soldier. It appears that he was the only leading Hebrew poet of his age to be blessed in his children. Illustrating his essay with copious extracts from his poems the author describes him as a military commander, a Jew, a poet, and writer of epigrams. Special attention is given to his use of poetic imagery. Other essays deal with Solomon ibn Gabirol, Moses ibn Ezra, and the influence of Arabic on medieval Hebrew poetry in Spain.

THE FEDERAL IDEA

A Useful Popular Introduction

Federation and World Order. By DUNCAN AND ELIZABETH WILSON. *Nelson.* *2s. 9d.*

Reviewed by Professor Norman Bentwich

This little book is designed to be a popular introduction to a study of Federation as a new world order. It was written, somewhat hurriedly, in the months preceding the outbreak of the war, with a view to educating public opinion about the ideas of Federal Union. It is expository, not prophetic or propagandist, in character, setting out in detail how Federalism has worked in the United States and two of the British Dominions, Canada and Australia. It deals also with the approach to world order which has been achieved by the League of Nations and the International Labour Organisation.

The only touch of advocacy and eloquence is to be found in the preface by Professor Joad, who in broad lines touches on the evils of nationalism and the need for European Federation. If the words Federal Union are not to become just a slogan and a shibboleth for the general public, it is essential that the public should have, in popular presentation, an account of how Federal constitutions are actually working in large wholes.

Taxation and Economic Problems

Occasionally, the writers have given too much detail as, for example, where they deal with the decisions of the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council in England about conflicts between the Australian States and the Commonwealth Government. Those legal questions hardly touch upon the issues raised by the problem of European Federation. The last chapter contains some interesting and suggestive remarks about Federal taxation and economic problems. On the other hand nothing is said about the issues raised by Colonies, Mandates and the rights of minorities in the proposed Federation.

The book is written with transparent earnestness and desire to educate. If, as is to be hoped, there will be a second edition, the authors will be able to amplify their study, and meet the questions which are being raised about Federal Union now that that peace-proposal is becoming a matter of general discussion.

BIBLICAL BIOGRAPHIES

Personalities of the Old Testament. By FLEMING JAMES. *Scribner's Sons.* *12s. 6d.*

Reviewed by the Rev. Dr. A. Cohen

If Carlyle's remark is correct, that "history is the essence of innumerable biographies," it should certainly be applied to the Scriptures. Too often Biblical history is viewed as a series of events rather than a succession of great personalities. What happened in ancient Israel is of far less consequence to us than are the heroic figures who played a part in directing the destinies of the people.

Dr. James has accordingly accomplished a task well worth doing in undertaking a study of the men and women who were humanly responsible for the development of a horde of released slaves into a nation which played a decisive rôle in the history of mankind. In a substantial volume of six hundred pages he carefully sifts the biographical data contained in the Bible in order to portray the lives, character and activities of these formative personalities. Under his skilful treatment, and with his ability to utilise the latest archaeological discoveries for the sketching of the historical background, the heroes of the Bible are living actors.

The author belongs to the higher critical school and adopts its findings when dealing with the Biblical text, but he does not indulge in the iconoclasm which characterises so many modern scholars. The student of the Bible will read his chapters with interest and profit, even when disagreeing with some of his estimates and conclusions.

A VARIED CAREER

Much Experience in Few Years

Pagan Tapestry. By BERTHA SLOSBERG. *Rich and Cowan.* *10s. 6d.*

Miss Slosberg's object is adequately expressed in her own words: "I am a pagan. I have a story to tell." Born in a town on the border between Lithuania—then part of Russia—and Germany, the clash of the opposing Russian and German forces in the last war compelled Miss Slosberg, then about four years of age, and her mother to flee further into Russia, where for four years they suffered almost every form of physical privation and hardship and witnessed every form of barbarism and cruelty.

With such an early background can it be wondered that in London, in 1921, when on her way to South Africa to join her father, she said: "We were afraid that some fresh disaster would descend on us; we found it difficult to trust anyone."

Of South Africa she has a more pleasant tale to tell, albeit a tale of many disappointments and little self-fulfilment. One can sympathise with her in her dislike of Kimberley, where she spent her first seven or so years in South Africa. "Provincially petty and grossly commercial" she calls it. Johannesburg is presented in an interesting though somewhat subjective manner. She decides that "You could not tell by looking at it that was rotten inside."

Reporter, sub-editor, space-seller, film worker and stage producer, publicity expert, diamond digger—these are a few of the occupations indulged in by this young lady of many parts.

In spite of the fact that her grandfather was Rabbi Slosberg of Vilna, her father President of the Kimberley Zionist Society, and that she herself worked for two Johannesburg Jewish papers, Miss Slosberg has comparatively little to say of matters Jewish.

D. H. Lawrence it was, I believe, who said for young persons to be happy they must either fall in love or fight a crusade. Miss Slosberg is still young and has done both.

S.S.

FORECAST FROM THE STARS

Astrologer's Cheering Prophecies

The Last Year of War—And After. By LEONARDO BLAKE. *Andrew Dakers, Ltd.* *3s. 6d. net.*

This book is neither an explanation nor a defence of astrology, that much-discussed subject. It is a large-scale prediction of the course of events for the next year, based on Mr. Blake's astrological calculations. That he himself is aware of the controversies that rage is evidenced by his interpolation of a kind of credo: "I do not believe that I have any capacity as a politician, but I believe that the astrologer through his cosmic insight can contribute a great deal towards the advancement of humanity. The politician sees a part of the whole and he sees the present, while the astrologer sees the whole, and is not restricted by the Time-element."

For the Jews he has some happy assurances; the "seven lean years" of the Nazi hell, from 1933, are to end this year, and signs will be seen of the beginning of the "seven fat years." The Jews, he says, will march on to Statehood and will take on something of spiritual leadership. Apparently the new century, 5700, opens up happier prospects for sorely tried Jewry; "1941 is a great year for the Jewish people"; and "we can count on a completely revolutionary view of the Jewish question."

The author writes well, and imports some shrewd psychological points into his thesis. He also writes extremely boldly—for his predictions (and his astrological authority because of this) must stand the test not only of the future but of the very near future indeed.

J.M.S.

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Obituary

DR. S. HERBERT, J.P. (Manchester)

Prominent Psycho-Analyst

[From our Correspondent]

Dr. Solomon Herbert, J.P., who died at his home in Wythenshawe, Manchester, last week, at the age of 65, was one of the pioneers of psycho-analysis in the North of England. He was born in Poland and obtained his M.D. degree in Vienna in 1899. There he became a fervent disciple of Sigmund Freud, whose teachings he strove to spread when he later settled in England. Dr. Herbert also qualified in London, and then held various medical appointments at West Ham, Swansea, and Glamorgan, finally becoming Medical Officer at the Manchester Consumption Hospital.

This was followed by a period of private practice in the Cheetham district, after which Dr. Herbert opened rooms in St. Peter's Square, Manchester, as a specialist in psycho-analytical treatment. He was at the time of his death medical referee to the Manchester Board of Control, which deals with mental health. Dr. Herbert was an Association Member of the British Psycho-Analytical Society, and his published works include "First Principles of Heredity" (1910); "First Principles of Evolution" (1913); "Physiology and Psychology of Sex" (1917); "Fundamentals in Sexual Ethics" (1920); "Subconscious Mind" (1920); and "The Subconscious in Life and Art" (1932).

Dr. Herbert took an interest in various progressive movements, and his expert knowledge on questions of juvenile delinquency led, deservedly, to his appointment as a Magistrate for the City of Manchester. He was a founder of the Manchester Fabian Society, a member of the Labour party, in whose interests he contested unsuccessfully an election in Collegiate Ward, Manchester, a supporter of Poale Zion, and a patron of the Jewish Students' Society at Manchester University.

The deceased was twice married. One of his daughters, Dr. Amy Herbert, has been a pioneer in the development of the Manchester Child Guidance Clinic. His widow is head of the Modern Languages department at the Manchester High School for Girls.

MR. SOLOMON FRAIS (Manchester)

The death occurred a few days ago, at the age of 69, of Mr. Solomon Frais, one of the three surviving founders who attended the recent semi-jubilee celebrations of the South Manchester Synagogue, Wilbraham Road, Fallowfield. Mr. Frais was a Trustee of the Congregation and its Hon. Secretary from 1920 to 1923, and, together with his brothers, he presented a beautiful marble ark to the Synagogue. He leaves a widow, three sons and three daughters.

THE REV. H. ABRAHAMS (Southport)

RABBI DR. A. E. SILVERSTONE writes:

On Sabbath last, the Rev. Hermann Abrahams, formerly Chazan-Shochet to the Southport community, passed away at the age of sixty-five. Born in Slonim, he came to this country as a young man, and held the position of Chazan-Shochet first at Norwich, then at Port Talbot, and in 1918 he was appointed to Southport, where for ten years he served the Congregation with conspicuous zeal. A chronic illness then assailed him, and he became bedridden for most of the time since 1928. The ailment he bore with fortitude and patience; but he felt very keenly his inability to attend the Synagogue, where for so many years he had himself led the worshippers in prayer with marked devotion. He died on the Sabbath. May he enter his everlasting rest ליום שכולו שבת To his widow and two sons the heartfelt sympathy of the whole Community is extended in full measure

A further tribute to the memory of the Rev. H. Abrahams has been received from Mr. and Mrs. S. Claff.

MR. PHILIP GOLDBERG (Leeds)

MR. MAURICE MYERS, Chairman of the Leeds Home for Aged Jews and Home of Rest, writes:

May I be allowed to pay tribute to the memory of Mr. Philip Goldberg, who passed away recently following a severe operation. The Home for Aged Jews has lost one of its oldest and respected founders. For eighteen years he was closely associated with the Home. For several years Mr. Goldberg was Chairman of the Dance Committee, which brought in several hundreds of pounds to the funds of the Home. He was a Freemason, and also held office for many years in the Ancient Order of Foresters. To his stricken widow and family we tender heartfelt sympathy in their irreparable loss.

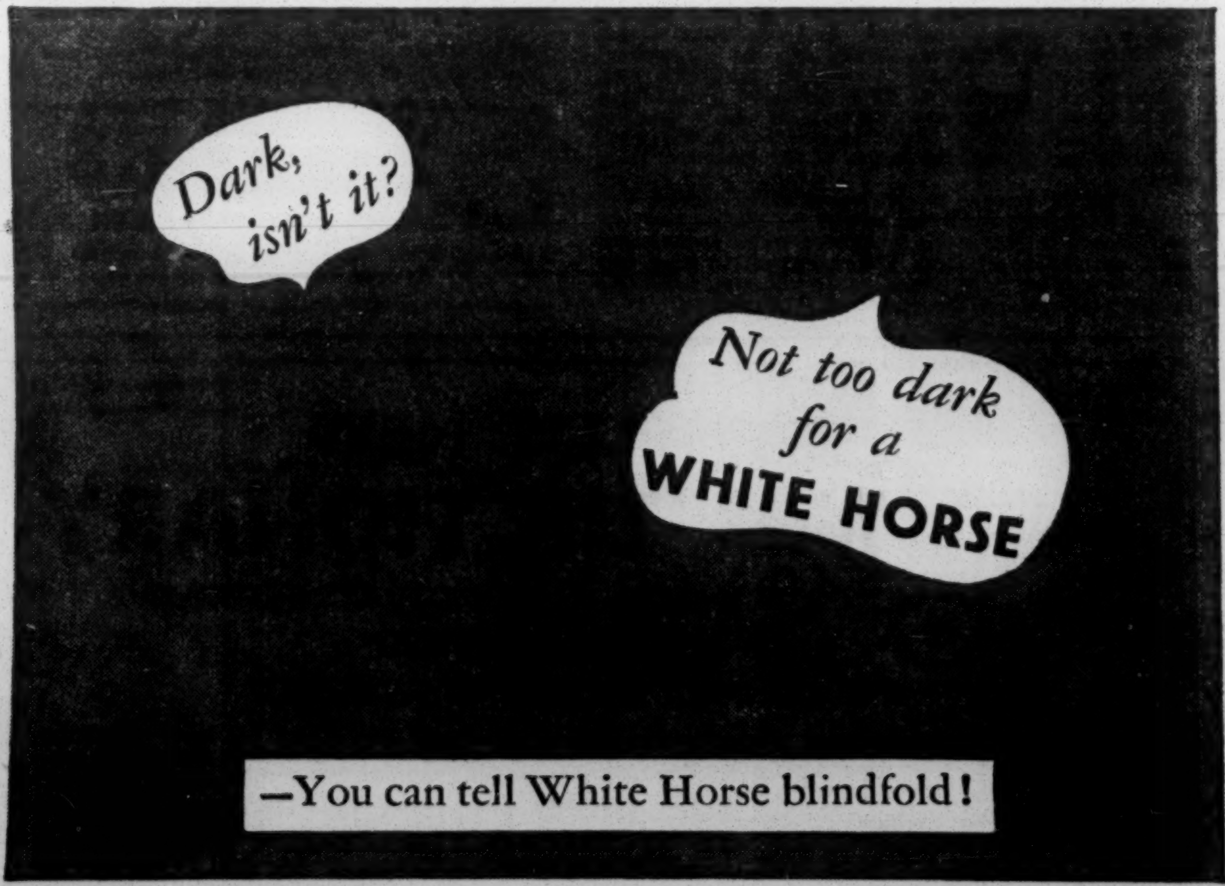
THE REV. J. R. C. WEBB (Derby)

Hebrew Scholar and Friend of Jewry

The REV. R. RESTAN, Minister of the Derby Hebrew Congregation, writes:

With the passing away, recently, at the early age of 41, of the Rev. J. R. C. Webb, B.D., the Vicar of St. Alkmund's Church, Derby, the Jewish Community have lost a valued friend. It was directly through his energy that the local Refugee Committee, under the patronage of the Mayor, was formed. Before his long and painful illness, Mr. Webb acted as Secretary to the Refugee Committee and himself kept three members of a German-Jewish family in his own house. He gave himself heart and soul to the work of rescuing refugees from Nazi oppression, and there are many who owe their very lives to him.

He was a profound Hebrew scholar, and his library of Hebrew and general Jewish literature alone would have given any Rabbi pride in their possession. The late Mr. Webb was a frequent visitor to the Synagogue, where he was able to follow the service and the Reading of the Law with ease. His especial joy was listening to the Megillah on Purim! He had many Hebrew texts hung up in his house, and was very proud of his bread board on which he had engraved, in Hebrew, the blessing for bread. He was a great lover of the Jewish people, their religion and their customs, and his deep learning gained him the respect of every one with whom he came into contact. The heartfelt sympathy of the Derby Hebrew Congregation goes out to his widow and daughter in their great bereavement.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Points from Letters

BIBLE READERS' UNION

Your readers will be interested to know that the fourth number of the bulletin of the Bible Readers' Union is now available. The main features are the Bible Reading calendar until March 9, the Message of the Month by the President, an article on the Prophet Hosea by the Editor, Editorial Notes, the first of a series entitled "New Translation to Difficult Texts" by Rabbi Dr. Samuel Daiches, some Rabbinic comments on Rabbinic passages by Rabbi B. D. Klein, M.A., a note of books received for review, as well as correspondence columns and answers to questions. Copies can be obtained from Messrs. Shapiro Vallentine and Co., 81, Wentworth Street, at 1d., or post free 1½d. from the Editor, Bible Readers' Union, Woburn House, Upper Woburn Place, W.C.1. An annual subscription of 1s. 6d. entitles members to receive copies of the bulletin post free for one year.—The REV. J. HALPERN, 17, Clifton Gardens, N.W.11.

AN EVACUEE'S BARMITZVAH

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Union Society, Oxford.

THE COMMUNAL CENTRE

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From SIR ROBERT WALEY COHEN, K.B.E.
(Vice-Chairman of Governors, Concordia Estates Ltd.)

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SIR—Those who have watched the development of the Jewish Community Centre at Woburn House will be aware of the considerable measure of success that has attended the efforts of those who were responsible for creating this centre of communal activities. Many of the principal Jewish organisations have found it most convenient to be able to locate their offices in Woburn House, and the building has been available for conferences, meetings, receptions, etc. So many activities take place there that it will probably be a surprise to many to learn that there are still offices available, suitable for small or large organisations.

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The various halls suitable for meetings, conferences, and social functions are well known to the Community and are available for all such purposes, either in the day-time or after dark. The Court of Governors desire to see Woburn House grow into a centre where all our Jewish organisations can be housed and have opportunities for meeting and co-operating together.

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The Secretary, whose office is on the fourth floor, will be glad to welcome inquiries both for offices and for hiring the halls and committee rooms.

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JUDGE thy fellow-man by his own deeds and words—not by what others tell thee about him.
—*Talmud.*

Friendly Societies

ORDER ACHEI AMETH

Executive Council Meeting

RESULT OF FIFTH VALUATION

At a recent Executive Council meeting of the Order Achei Ameth, reports were given on the work of the Order over the past quarter.

Bro. J. L. Jacobs, Grand President, dealt with matters of policy. At the outbreak of war, he said, in common with other societies, they considered very carefully the position which might arise, and the Finance Committee prepared a scheme for the protection of the members' benefits as regards Death Endowment and so on. An Amendment of Rule was registered with the object of protecting both the member and the Grand Lodge funds.

The amendment, he continued, provided for benefits more generous than were approved at a meeting of the Association of Jewish Friendly Societies, and they felt they had a right to do this because of their strong financial standing.

But since then, the societies affiliated to the Association had not all kept rigidly to their undertakings, and some had suddenly reversed their emergency rulings, without joint consultations, and had re-amended their schemes so that death claims would be met in full. Whether that was a wise course or not remained to be seen, but as a strong Order from the financial point of view they felt that the brethren would confirm their action if they, too, reverted to pre-war payments.

Speaking of the general work of the Order, Bro. Jacobs said that he was satisfied that the work of Head Office had not suffered through its evacuation to the country.

Quarter's Death Levy

The Grand Treasurer, Bro. M. Towley, presented his report and paid tribute to the way in which the Lodges and the members had responded to the calls made upon them.

On the expenditure side, they had been very fortunate, and the death levy for this quarter was only 2s. 8½d. For death claims they had paid £550 for members and £190 for members' wives.

Bro. Towley spoke also of the Refugee Appeal. Grand Lodge, by vote of its delegates, had decided to advance £1,000 on account of the levy, but a report by the Grand Secretary (Bro. M. E. Waldman, O.B.E., J.P.) showed that they were still several hundred pounds short in this appeal. In view, however, of the difficult circumstances of the war, they suggested no further levies be made in the meantime but that the arrears be carried forward in the account in the usual way. They were pledged to return this £1,000, and they were certain that as soon as possible the Lodges and members of the Order would fulfil their obligations.

In presenting his report, the Chairman of the National Health Insurance Committee pointed out that the report of the fifth valuation had come to hand, which showed that they had doubled their surplus. They thus had a much larger sum available for additional benefits than they had under the fourth valuation, which meant they could give additional convalescent, optical and other benefits.

After some consideration, he continued, it had been decided to open the General Office in London daily from 10 till 4 (Sundays and Fridays till 1 p.m.), while the administration is still being conducted from Bodiam.

The Council confirmed the amalgamation of the Sir Marcus Samuel Lodge, No. 9, and the Sidney and Doris Walters Lodge, No. 46.

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DR. S. HERBERT, J.P. (Manchester)

Prominent Psycho-Analyst

[From our Correspondent]

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This was followed by a period of private practice in the Cheetham district, after which Dr. Herbert opened rooms in St. Peter's Square, Manchester, as a specialist in psycho-analytical treatment. He was at the time of his death medical referee to the Manchester Board of Control, which deals with mental health. Dr. Herbert was an Association Member of the British Psycho-Analytical Society, and his published works include "First Principles of Heredity" (1910); "First Principles of Evolution" (1913); "Physiology and Psychology of Sex" (1917); "Fundamentals in Sexual Ethics" (1920); "Subconscious Mind" (1920); and "The Subconscious in Life and Art" (1932).

Dr. Herbert took an interest in various progressive movements, and his expert knowledge on questions of juvenile delinquency led, deservedly, to his appointment as a Magistrate for the City of Manchester. He was a founder of the Manchester Fabian Society, a member of the Labour party, in whose interests he contested unsuccessfully an election in Collegiate Ward, Manchester, a supporter of Poale Zion, and a patron of the Jewish Students' Society at Manchester University.

The deceased was twice married. One of his daughters, Dr. Amy Herbert, has been a pioneer in the development of the Manchester Child Guidance Clinic. His widow is head of the Modern Languages department at the Manchester High School for Girls.

MR. SOLOMON FRAIS (Manchester)

The death occurred a few days ago, at the age of 69, of Mr. Solomon Frais, one of the three surviving founders who attended the recent semi-jubilee celebrations of the South Manchester Synagogue, Wilbraham Road, Fallowfield. Mr. Frais was a Trustee of the Congregation and its Hon. Secretary from 1920 to 1923, and, together with his brothers, he presented a beautiful marble ark to the Synagogue. He leaves a widow, three sons and three daughters.

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Rabbi Dr. A. E. Silverstone writes:

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The Rev. R. Restan, Minister of the Derby Hebrew Congregation, writes:

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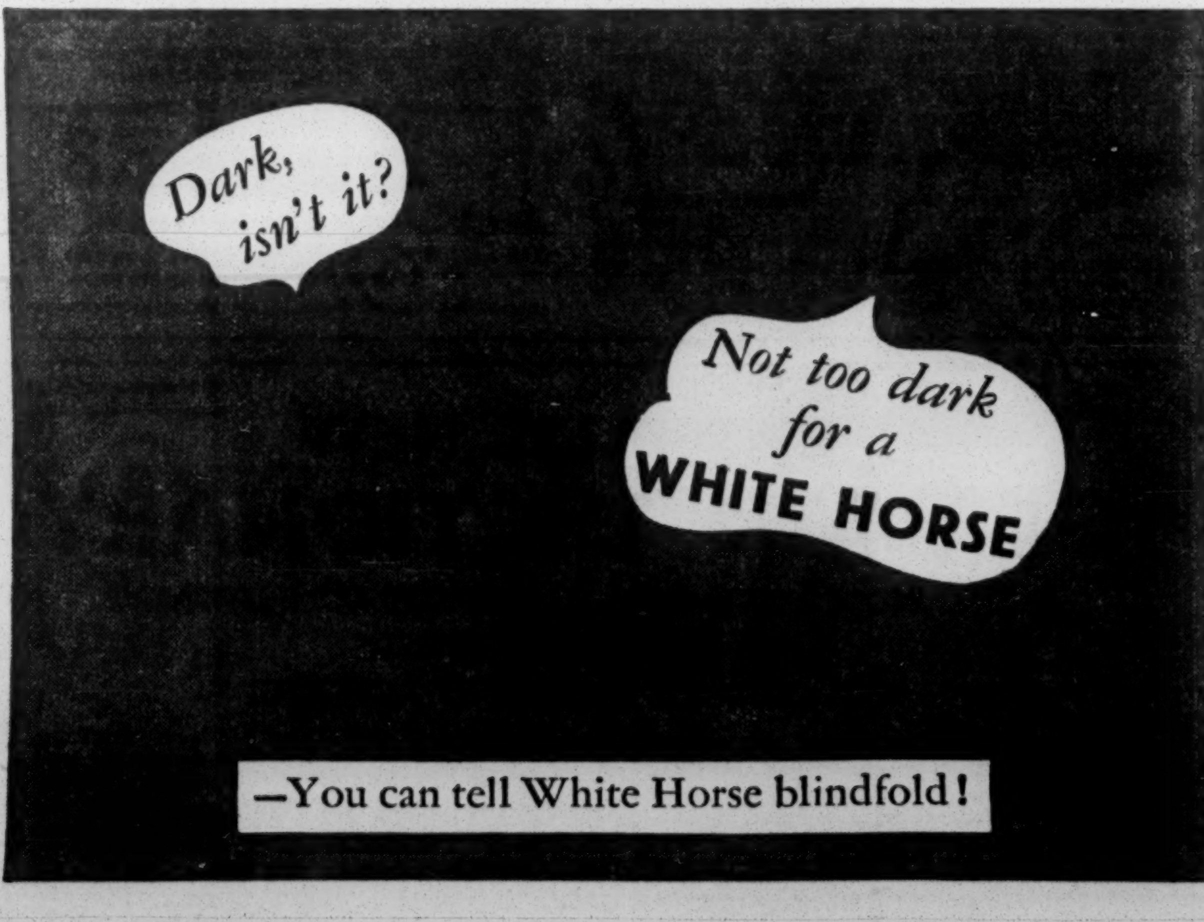

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Further, at a meeting of the Mosley supporters, Mr. Guy Chesham is alleged to have remarked that it was now opportune to exploit the latent anti-Semitism of the non-political undergraduates.

Not content with spreading anti-Semitism through the "Corporate Club," the Mosleyites have pursued a policy of infiltration into many other University clubs. Indeed in some cases they would seem to run separate clubs, e.g. on the fixture card of the "Anglo-Arab Union" the names of Messrs. Back and Chesham appear as the President and Secretary respectively whilst on the committee Mr. Foster is also a Mosleyite. These people do not scruple to obtrude themselves into every form of discussion, including making provocative speeches at Union debates.

Recently, considerable annoyance has been caused by anti-Jewish slogans which have appeared on the walls.

If indeed the activities of anti-Semites in Oxford are at all symptomatic of activities throughout the country—then I suggest increased vigilance on the part of responsible Jewish authorities.

I am, &c.,
GEOFFREY LEWIS.

Union Society, Oxford.

THE COMMUNAL CENTRE

Empty Offices at Woburn House

From SIR ROBERT WALEY COHEN, K.B.E.
(Vice-Chairman of Governors, Concordia Estates Ltd.)

To the Editor of The Jewish Chronicle

Sir—Those who have watched the development of the Jewish Community Centre at Woburn House will be aware of the considerable measure of success that has attended the efforts of those who were responsible for creating this centre of communal activities. Many of the principal Jewish organisations have found it most convenient to be able to locate their offices in Woburn House, and the building has been available for conferences, meetings, receptions, etc. So many activities take place there that it will probably be a surprise to many to learn that there are still offices available, suitable for small or large organisations.

It is perhaps unnecessary to point out the great advantage to be obtained by any Jewish organisation establishing its office in this building, where religious, educational, charitable, and other public institutions of the Community are able to keep in constant and close touch with one another and their officials to consult together on the many problems in which their activities impinge.

The various halls suitable for meetings, conferences, and social functions are well known to the Community and are available for all such purposes, either in the day-time or after dark. The Court of Governors desire to see Woburn House grow into a centre where all our Jewish organisations can be housed and have opportunities for meeting and co-operating together.

The building has been built and is maintained by a combination of Jewish charities and every Jewish charity or public body which makes use of the building has the satisfaction of knowing that it is not only helping itself but all the other Jewish charities and public institutions which are housed there.

The Secretary, whose office is on the fourth floor, will be glad to welcome inquiries both for offices and for hiring the halls and committee rooms.

I am, &c.,
R. WALEY COHEN.

Woburn House,
Upper Woburn Place, W.C.1.

The Wayside Pulpit

The Metropolitan Synagogues and some of the Provincial Synagogues, in collaboration with the Committee for Proclaiming Jewish Ethics, publish a text fortnightly on their special notice boards. The text for the fortnight beginning on Monday, February 12, 1940, is as follows:

JUDGE thy fellow-man by his own deeds and words—not by what others tell thee about him.
—*Talmud.*

Friendly Societies

ORDER ACHEI AMETH

Executive Council Meeting

RESULT OF FIFTH VALUATION

At a recent Executive Council meeting of the Order Achei Ameth, reports were given on the work of the Order over the past quarter.

Bro. J. L. Jacobs, Grand President, dealt with matters of policy. At the outbreak of war, he said, in common with other societies, they considered very carefully the position which might arise, and the Finance Committee prepared a scheme for the protection of the members' benefits as regards Death Endowment and so on. An Amendment of Rule was registered with the object of protecting both the member and the Grand Lodge funds.

The amendment, he continued, provided for benefits more generous than were approved at a meeting of the Association of Jewish Friendly Societies, and they felt they had a right to do this because of their strong financial standing.

But since then, the societies affiliated to the Association had not all kept rigidly to their undertakings, and some had suddenly reversed their emergency rulings, without joint consultations, and had re-amended their schemes so that death claims would be met in full. Whether that was a wise course or not remained to be seen, but as a strong Order from the financial point of view they felt that the brethren would confirm their action if they, too, reverted to pre-war payments.

Speaking of the general work of the Order, Bro. Jacobs said that he was satisfied that the work of Head Office had not suffered through its evacuation to the country.

Quarter's Death Levy

The Grand Treasurer, Bro. M. Towley, presented his report and paid tribute to the way in which the Lodges and the members had responded to the calls made upon them.

On the expenditure side, they had been very fortunate, and the death levy for this quarter was only 2s. 8¼d. For death claims they had paid £550 for members and £190 for members' wives.

Bro. Towley spoke also of the Refugee Appeal. Grand Lodge, by vote of its delegates, had decided to advance £1,000 on account of the levy, but a report by the Grand Secretary (Bro. M. E. Waldman, O.B.E., J.P.) showed that they were still several hundred pounds short in this appeal. In view, however, of the difficult circumstances of the war, they suggested no further levies be made in the meantime but that the arrears be carried forward in the account in the usual way. They were pledged to return this £1,000, and they were certain that as soon as possible the Lodges and members of the Order would fulfil their obligations.

In presenting his report, the Chairman of the National Health Insurance Committee pointed out that the report of the fifth valuation had come to hand, which showed that they had doubled their surplus. They thus had a much larger sum available for additional benefits than they had under the fourth valuation, which meant they could give additional convalescent, optical and other benefits.

After some consideration, he continued, it had been decided to open the General Office in London daily from 10 till 4 (Sundays and Fridays till 1 p.m.), while the administration is still being conducted from Bodiam.

The Council confirmed the amalgamation of the Sir Marcus Samuel Lodge, No. 9, and the Sidney and Doris Walters Lodge, No. 46.

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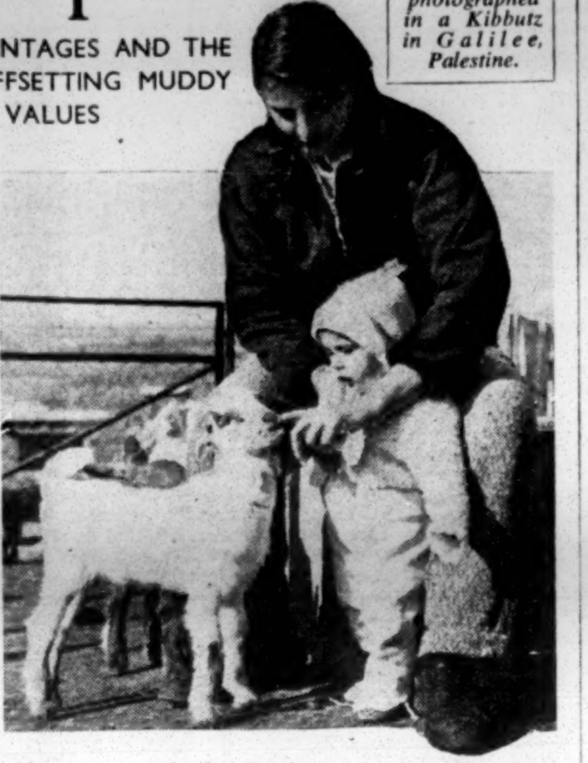
HOME PAGE

Shall the Children Keep Pets?

WEIGHING UP THE ADVANTAGES AND THE DISADVANTAGES ● OFFSETTING MUDDY PAWS BY EDUCATIONAL VALUES



Two little kids! Charming scene photographed in a Kibbutz in Galilee, Palestine.

MOST children love to keep pets. Most parents, and certainly most mothers, find domestic animals a source of additional work and worry. The question to be decided is whether the value of keeping pets is great enough to counterbalance any inconvenience they may cause.

Of course, the country-bred child grows up with animals around him and automatically accepts them as a part of his life. And nowadays so many children have temporarily become country children that the habit of tending and caring for animals will no doubt be even more popular with them when they return to urban surroundings.

The difficulties for the housewife are innumerable. Animals going in and out of houses increase the degree of muddiness already nobly striven against. Animals require regular feeding, which in war-time is complicated by the difficulty of obtaining scraps and pieces for them. And animals, unlike toys, cannot be stowed away in a cupboard for the night. They require a bed and to be trained to sleep in it and to observe the good manners that will make them loved family pets.

Big Task for Child

All this takes time, energy, effort, and patience, and the children who proudly arrive home with a fat, waddling, soft puppy tucked lovingly in their arms rarely possess or exert the necessary qualities to transform the newcomer into a well-behaved house dog.

Despite the obvious and manifold disadvantages for the housewife in allowing children to have pets, there is no doubt that their possession forms a very useful and desirable part of children's education.

Learning from Each Other

Children can learn a great deal from their pets, even if they have to be helped out in looking after them. They can learn to care for something dependent upon themselves. They can learn to be kind and at the same time firm. They can learn to set a good example to their pets by themselves observing the laws of the house.

Above all, the child learns to have patience in dealing with his pet and to grasp the essence of the complicated machinery which is moulding himself into a useful member of society. The pet becomes a visible and attractive embodiment of hitherto cloudy juvenile ideas that had thwarted and irked him.

Give Child Responsibility

For all these reasons, it is best to allow children to assume as much as possible the mastership of the animal they want to look after. The rule applies as much to horses, ponies, or even goats as to domestic pets such as dogs and cats. Let the child mix and prepare the animal's food and give it to it himself. Let him take the responsibility for regularly exercising and grooming the dog or horse. Let it be his pet in reality, with only unobtrusive supervision by his elders.

A Biblical Injunction

Admirable as the animal is, however, as a means of instructing and training his young master, it should not be assumed that this is the be-all and end-all of a dumb creature's existence. Animals must be valued for their own sake and the children should be taught to adopt a considerate and generous attitude towards them. There is Bibilical authority for such teaching, and the injunction to feed your animal before yourself can be quoted to emphasise to the children the need for consideration for their pets.

. . . *Deborah says* . . .

The Queen's Sympathy

A most interesting story of the sympathy of the Queen for persecuted Jewry was told by Lady Astor this week at a Zionist meeting in Plymouth. Some years ago, said Lady Astor, when the Queen, then Duchess of York, was scheduled to visit the East End of London, she was urged, in view of the terribly hot weather and of the exceptional round of work she had gone through, to cancel the plan. But the Duchess refused. "I thought," she said, "that the Jews were having such a bad time in Europe, it would be a good thing if one came down at this moment and showed sympathy."

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Royal Visitor

I wrote some time ago in this column about the excellent effort made by the North-West London Zionist Society on behalf of the Red Cross. Working as an affiliated body at the Women's Voluntary Services depot at 47, Fitzjohn's Avenue, N.W.3, under the guidance of Mrs. Ezra Snowman, assisted by Mrs. Warshaw, who is Treasurer of the Zionist Society (and of the Federation of Women Zionists as well), they have already completed 250 garments, all made from tailors' samples. Last week, the depot was honoured by a Royal visit. The Duchess of Gloucester came to the workroom, accompanied by Lady Margaret Douglas Home, who is head of the Hampstead branch of the Women's Voluntary Service organisation. Mrs. Snowman was presented to the Duchess, who expressed her admiration of the work. I understand that many German and Austrian refugees have spent their spare time at this depot sewing garments for the Red Cross. But the cry still goes up for more workers, please!

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Viennese Actress

Miss Sybille Binder, who was formerly a famous actress in Vienna, has appeared this week at the Richmond Theatre in a play called "The Impossible She." Miss Binder has created many famous rôles, including that of the school-teacher in "Mädchen in Uniform," the dancer in "Grand Hotel," who personifies Pavlova, and the Empress in 'Elizabeth of Austria." Although this is Miss Binder's first English appearance, she has acted in English plays in Vienna, where she played both Shakespeare and Wilde.

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Comforts Fund

Mrs. Sybil Jacobson is organising a Comforts Fund for men of the Balloon Barrage. She is anxious, she tells me, to receive books and games, which she asks to be addressed to her at her headquarters at Derry and Toms, High Street, Kensington, W.

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Zionist Bazaar

Those two energetic young women who have assumed joint Chairmanship of the Bazaar which is being organised jointly by the Federation of Women Zionists and the Jewish National Fund, Mrs. Michael Sieff and Mrs. Roy Warnford Davis, are now actively engaged in preliminary steps to make the function an outstanding success. Mrs. Sieff told me what a great proportion of her time the Bazaar work has already taken up, but she is experiencing no difficulty in "roping in" her many friends also to interest themselves in the project.

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School Matron

In Town during the week-end, I met Miss Lucy Underwood, the very active Matron of the West Hampstead Day School, which is now in evacuation at Lewes, and was glad to hear how well the children there are getting on. Miss Underwood, who has been having a short vacation, goes back this week with the latest ideas for the children's welfare, especially in diets. She has good opportunities for gathering such helpful knowledge, as her family is well known in the medical world. Her father was the famous Leeds Zionist, the late Dr. Umanski, one of her sisters is Dr. Augusta Landman, and another sister is married to Dr. H. Brostoff. A third sister, by the way, is Mrs. Leon Simon.

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Triple Success

Talking with Miss Underwood, we mentioned Mme. Hélèna Kopp, an aunt of the family and a medical specialist, formerly of Russia but now in Paris, and were reminded of Mme. Kopp's threefold "victory" in that city. There is a very select French medical society which, it is whispered, is anti-foreign, anti-Jewish, and anti-woman. But Mme. Kopp broke the triple barrier and was actually congratulated by the president of the society on a brilliant paper on speech defects which she read before it!

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Gold Medallist

Miss Lilian Renton, of Hove, daughter of Mr. Frank Renton, of "anti-defamation" platform fame, appears to have something of her father's passion—no exaggerated term, as those young speakers who had the good fortune to serve under him during the campaign will bear out—for correct speaking. She has gained the Gold Medal for Elocution in a recent Incorporated London Academy of Music examination.

Jewish Cookery

RECIPES BY REQUEST

A reader has asked for suggestions to use up cherries from cherry brandy. They can of course be used in tarts, flans, and puddings. They could be pickled in spiced vinegar or turned into jam mixed with apples.

Cherry and Apple Jam

Cherries, 5 lb. Water 1½ pts.
One lemon. Sugar, 3½lb.
Sour cooking apples, 2lb.

WASH apples and cut into pieces without removing peel or core. Put in a saucepan with the water, simmer gently until pulped (about half an hour), then drain through a jelly bag or cloth, allowing it to drip for several hours. Put this juice in a saucepan with the cherries and cook slowly for half an hour; then add the warmed sugar, stir till it has melted, then boil rapidly till it sets when tested. Start testing after ten minutes.

Pickled Cherries

THREE-QUARTERS fill wide-necked jars with the cherries, pour over the *boiling* spiced vinegar, and tie down immediately.

For the spiced vinegar: allow half a pound of sugar, half a teaspoonful of peppercorns, two cloves, and a half-inch stick of cinnamon to every pint of vinegar, and boil together for twenty minutes.

Another reader asks for grapefruit and orange marmalade and also jam recipes. No doubt the orange marmalade recipes which appeared in our last issue will meet her requirements. Here is, however, one more that is made in a slightly different way, which other readers also might like to try.

Seville oranges, 1lb. Water 2½ pts.
Sugar, 4½lb. One lemon.

CUT up fruit as in recipes in last issue, and put in a bowl with pips tied in a muslin bag and the water. Leave to stand overnight, then turn into a saucepan, and cook *gently with the lid on the saucepan* for two hours. Add the warmed sugar, and when it has melted, boil quickly till it sets when tested. Start testing after twenty minutes. This quantity should make about seven pounds of marmalade.

There is very little jam that one can make at the moment except with dried fruit. Recipes for using dried apricots and also grapefruit marmalade were given during October last. Then the question of sugar arises, unless one has a certain amount of reserve. However, this reader and others might like to make a preserve of dried figs and apples. It has the great advantage of requiring very little sugar, would make a change from marmalade, and is excellent in tarts.

Fig and Apple Preserve

Cooking figs, 2lb. Two lemons.
Water, 2 pts. Sugar, 1½ lb.
Sharp cooking apples, 2lb.

WASH figs, put in a bowl with the water, and leave to soak overnight. Strain off the water and put in a saucepan with the apples, which should be peeled, cored, and cut into small pieces. Cook quickly for ten minutes, then mash; add the figs cut into small pieces, the sugar, grated rind, and the juice of the lemons. Stir till boiling, then cook very gently for half an hour. Pour into warm jars and tie down.

Incidentally . . .

The famous producer Max Reinhardt, it seems, is to become an American citizen shortly. A writer friend of mine, formerly of Vienna, recalls a performance of "Everyman" by Hofmannsthal in Salzburg a few years ago—the last before Reinhardt left for one of his periodical trips to the United States. Young and old rushed from their seats and thronged in front of the stage when the play was over, applauding frantically and clamouring for producer Reinhardt. Eventually he came out and bowed, a grey-haired, smiling figure, and a little shy. "I will be back soon," he said, more to himself than to the enthusiastic audience. Now he is in America again. I wonder whether he still thinks he will be visiting Vienna soon.

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"LET-'EM-OFF HERBERT"

Many people will learn with deep regret of the death of Dr. Solomon Herbert, of Manchester, the psychologist and author of books on heredity and sex. I remember as a youth what I might call the "salon" he used to hold at his house in Cheetham Hill for students and for budding artists and literary folk. Nothing pleased him more than when, with the recklessness of youth, I hotly attacked one of his books. His true humanitarianism and psychological insight were well illustrated by the nickname he earned as a magistrate some years ago—"Let-'em-off Herbert"—from the fact that he was ever anxious to give the underdog a second chance.

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ITALIAN JEW IN THE ARMY

Because of the recent racial laws introduced in Italy, a number of Italians have been given hospitality in this country. One of them, a Jew who had lived in Tripoli all his life, is now serving in the British Army. It appears that his family had come from Aden, which is part of the British Empire; and when the young man learned this, he immediately volunteered his services.

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CLOSURE!

A young German rabbi who appeared recently before one of the Aliens Tribunals was asked whether he was Orthodox or Liberal. He replied that he was minister of a Liberal congregation in Germany, but he supposed he would be regarded as Orthodox here. "Well, do you keep the dietary laws?" inquired the Chairman. "Yes, I keep them, though not very strictly," replied the applicant. The Chairman: "Please be a little more specific in your replies. Do you eat oysters, for instance?" The Rabbi: "No; I don't eat oysters." The Chairman, after a pause: "Then you've no idea what you miss."

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TOPICAL SERMONS

A certain Anglo-Jewish preacher is, I hear, always keen on introducing topical touches into his sermons. For instance, shortly after the outbreak of war, he preached on spiritual A.R.P. The three requisites for salvation, he declared, were Almsgiving, Repentance, and Prayer. During January's slippery weather (now released by the Censor!), when it was difficult to maintain one's equilibrium, a congregant suggested that he might take his text from Proverbs xi, 1.

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A VERY ENLARGED EXECUTIVE?

Did you hear the remark uttered by a character in the B.B.C. serial "Curiouser and Curiouser" last week? He protested to another character: "Stop scowling at me like Goebbels at a Zionist Congress!"

CHRONICLER.

INSTITUTE FOR JEWISH LEARNING

Addresses at Official Opening

There was a large audience when Professor S. Brodetsky and Dr. A. Heschel delivered their addresses last week at the opening of the Institute for Jewish Learning at Maccabi House. Dr. Brodetsky expressed his great appreciation of the importance of the new Institute and his regret at not being able to lecture there this term. Dr. Heschel gave an account of Jewish learning during the nineteenth and twentieth centuries. He expressed the view that all theories of education had in the past failed, for they were ineffective in real life. What did keep Judaism alive up till to-day was the spirit which was not the possession but the destiny of Judaism. That realisation, he said, must be the aim of Jewish education. Dr. Heschel, in conclusion, thanked the Theodor Herzl Society, to which the Institute owed its existence.

Mr. A. P. Michaelis presided.

EDUCATIONAL SUCCESS

Miss Judith Rubinstein, of Hove, has passed with distinction the Grade III elocution examination of the Incorporated London Academy of Music.

JEWISH CHAPLAINCY AT ALDERSHOT

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The Work That Has Been Done

From Mr. **MAX TURK** (*President, Aldershot Hebrew Congregation*).

To the Editor of THE JEWISH CHRONICLE

SIR,—I have read your leaderettes in last week's issue of THE JEWISH CHRONICLE headed "Neglected Jewish Soldiers" and "Delay in Chaplaincy Matters."

I was not in Aldershot during the last war but from inquiries I have made I am informed that no resident Jewish Chaplain was actually appointed for the Aldershot Command until the Rev. V. G. Simmons was appointed about 1917. Until his appointment, it appears that at least three Ministers served as Officiating Chaplains, none of whom was a Commissioned Chaplain to H.M. Forces. It was only when the numbers grew to such considerable proportions that the War Office appointed a Jewish Chaplain to reside in the Command, and the Rev. V. G. Simmons was appointed.

With regard to the present war, the Senior Chaplain to the Forces came to Aldershot early in September and from that date until the appointment of the Rev. I. Levy of the Bayswater Synagogue as Officiating Chaplain, at the end of October last, he personally conducted religious services every Sunday in the Command and also he or his deputy personally visited the Jewish soldiers each week.

From the date of his appointment the Rev. I. Levy has put his heart and soul into his work as Officiating Chaplain. He holds three services per week in different centres within the Command. In addition to these religious services, which are extremely well attended, regular visits are paid to the men in their barracks and in this way he keeps in intimate contact with the men serving in this widespread area. I am reliably informed that every camp and centre within the Command is visited regularly at least once each month. Realising the difficulties presented by lack of transport, and the nature of the lay-out of this Command, it would be unfair to expect that more frequent visits should be paid to the men.

It is obvious that a resident Jewish Chaplain would be a great advantage to the men serving in this important military centre, but what is not generally known is that such appointment rests entirely with the War Office and that it depends on the number of serving Jewish soldiers in each Command. Although there are numerous Jewish soldiers serving in Aldershot, perhaps more than is popularly realised, yet this number has not yet reached the quota laid down by the War Office, and when this figure is reached then a Commissioned Chaplain will no doubt be appointed.

With regard to the leaderette heading "Neglected Jewish Soldiers," in case your readers should think that the Jewish Community in the Aldershot Command, who are infinitesimal in numbers, are doing nothing, I would like to state that apart from individual efforts by members, a regular social evening is held on Tuesday of every week at a hall in Aldershot by a small group of Jewish residents, which offers excellent facilities for the men to meet their serving co-religionists in a pleasant and informal atmosphere and is a very deserved success, very well attended, and much appreciated by the Jewish soldiers in the Command.

I am, &c.,

MAX TURK.

Lloyds Bank Chambers,
South Farnborough, Hants.

ECONOMICAL FUR-BUYING

M. Francesko Sajo, of 61, Grosvenor Street, London, W., is showing a special selection of furs which include some seven-eighths Persian lamb coats and short silver fox coats. The Persian lamb coats cost 35 gns. and Indian lamb ones 25 gns. Lynx has had a very popular come-back in fashion circles, and there are some handsome coats, costing 20 gns. each, which look splendid worn over black frocks. M. Sajo remakes fur coats for 2 gns. and undertakes all kinds of repairs and renovations to furs.

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Prominent Young Israelite Joins Navy

To know Young Israel is to know Douglas De Lange. He has been actively connected with that movement for nearly five years, the last two years of which he has been on the Executive of the Union of Young Israel Societies, and was, up to the outbreak of war, its Vice-Chairman. He is a Past Chairman and existing Vice-President of Golders Green Y.I. Under his editorship the Union's monthly Bulletin—one of the best-known Jewish youth magazines—was never more eagerly read by members.

De Lange was perhaps the best debater in the Union, whose annual public-speaking competition he won about two years ago. He brought into being, and was captain of, the Union's Rugby team, and it was only his enthusiasm, dauntlessness, and sense of humour which kept it together during its first but unsuccessful season. He produced plays for his Society, and was prominent in Y.I. sports. No one worked harder than he to bring about a better understanding and closer contact among the many Jewish youth bodies.

Popular with most who know him, his qualities will serve the Community well now that he will be largely among non-Jews. Always thorough in what he has undertaken, the quality has shown itself in his "joining up." Others are content to join the Army for "the duration," but De Lange has joined the Navy, which means twelve years—seven as a regular and five on the reserve. At the moment, he seems most unpatriotic: he is down with German measles!

BOXING NOTES

JEWISH BOXERS AND FINANCIAL REWARD

[By our Boxing Correspondent]

Mr. L. V. Manning, in recent issues of the DAILY SKETCH, has been dealing with the Jew in sport. After detailing the various sports in which Jews have taken part, he wrote:

"Yet the roughest and toughest game of the lot, the game which calls for the highest qualities of human endurance, boxing, scintillates with Jewish champions and near-champions. In fact, in a representative list, beginning with Mendoza and Dutch Sam of the old Prize Ring, you would practically have to write a history of the sport. I wonder why? And don't tell me it's because of the financial rewards."

The last remark anticipates the arguments of those people who are certain in their own minds that the Jew only takes part in boxing because of the financial reward. Do these folk really think that anyone would be so daft as to take for a number of years severe and several sorts of hidings for small remuneration, in order at the end, when they have reached the top, if ever they do—and only a few ever do—to come into the big money, money which diminishes rapidly before they retire? The idea is too ludicrous for words. And now to deal with Mr. Manning's query. The reason for the Jew's liking for this "toughest and roughest of sports" may be due to the fact that he is given more scope to rely upon his individual prowess than when he is a member of a team where usually there is little room for the brilliant individualist. Through years of persecution the Jew has had to rely mainly upon his own efforts to protect himself, and by now this has become ingrained in him.

BERG'S DISAPPOINTING WIN

Jack "Kid" Berg's win on points over George Reynolds at Bristol on Monday was rather unimpressive. The ten rounds was spoiled by constant clinchings, with the referee doing most of the work. In the seventh round, Berg battered Reynolds against the rope with both hands, but could not finish off his opponent.

On this showing of Berg's, there would be little attraction in his suggested meeting with Eric Boon as the top-liner for Sydney Hulls's show at Earl's Court on February 29. A supporting match, however, that would pack the house would be that between Harry Silver and Harry Lazar.

ARMY BOXING

Sgt. Benny Caplan, representing the Army, outpointed A/c Smith last week at Aldershot in a big Services tournament between the Army and the R.A.F., the former winning by 12-3. Pte. C. Levy (R.A.M.C.) was announced as the winner against Corporal Kershaw while crawling round the ring in pain. Levy stood up to punishment very well, and while on the canvas in the third was hit by his opponent, who was immediately disqualified.

On Monday next, Caplan meets Dave Finn in the eliminating contest for the Southern Area light-weight title at Earl's Court in aid of the Lord Mayor's Red Cross Fund.

THE JEWISH CHRONICLE CHILDREN'S SECTION

Young Israel

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1066 AND ALL THAT

BY AUNTIE

SOME of you may have read that very amusing skit upon history called "1066 and All That" or have seen the play founded on the book. Personally I thoroughly enjoyed it and I rather think I attracted some attention by the boisterousness of my laughter. Some years ago I selected the familiar date of 1066 for a survey of that period of Jewish history, and it occurs to me that some of you might like again to be reminded of what was happening in the Jewish world at the time when William of Normandy was making his famous excursion to Hastings.

WITH THE CONQUEROR

There is little doubt that William brought some Jews over with him from Normandy, and it is within the bounds of possibility that there are some Jewish families living in England to-day whose ancestors "came over with the Conqueror," though they may not know it. Certain it is that there was a considerable Jewish immigration directly following the conquest, notably from Rouen, and it was not long before the newly arrived Jews were acting as the king's bankers and supplying the commercial needs of the barons and the richer gentry. The Jews introduced a coinage currency and generally rendered feasible transactions that previously had been impossible.

RASHI

In 1066, Rashi, the great Bible commentator and expositor of the Talmud, was twenty-six years old—the ninth centenary of his birth is celebrated this year—and four years later he began his teaching at Troyes which was to be so fruitful. Troyes is in the Champagne district of France, and it was by the manufacture of wine that Rashi supported himself. He lived for another thirty years, to the time of the first Crusade, in which many of his friends and associates were massacred. Legend records a meeting between Rashi and Geoffrey of Bouillon, one of the leaders of the Crusade; and the Rabbi foretold the failure of the expedition.

A MURDER

The "Golden Age" had begun for the Jews in Spain, and it was actually in 1066 that the murder took place of Joseph, son of Samuel Hanagid, who had been Vizier (the Home Secretary) of Granada. Samuel himself had been already dead for ten years. Under him and his son Joseph the Jews of Granada had attained to great riches and power "Who never saw the splendour of the Jews in Granada," wrote a chronicler of the time, "their good fortune and their glory, never saw true magnificence." Joseph had aroused Arab jealousy and he was assassinated, his death being the signal for the massacre of about 4,000 persons.

HUMBLE PIE

It was during the reign of William the Conqueror that the bitter fight went on between the Emperor Henry IV of Germany and Pope Gregory VII, who, by the way, accused the Emperor of favouring the Jews. This was true enough, for that enlightened monarch took the Jews of his realm under his protection and any wrongs done them were sharply punished. He had so much regard for the Jews that in a charter which he conferred on the city of Worms he referred to "the Jews and the other inhabitants of Worms." The Emperor had to make a show of submission to the Pope, and he stood shivering for three days at Canossa (in Northern Italy) in the garb of a penitent before the Pope would receive him and remove the ban of excommunication he had laid upon him. From this incident we get the phrase "to go to Canossa," meaning "to eat humble pie."

GREAT NAMES

The year before William the Conqueror died, Jehuda Halevi, the great Jewish poet, was born, and only two reigns later, in the year that saw the death of Henry I, Maimonides first saw the light. Another great Jewish poet and philosopher who was a contemporary of William the Conqueror was Ibn Gabirol, who died at Valencia in 1070. His poems were translated into English by Zangwill. There were many other great Jewish scholars of this time, and I will conclude by the mention of one, known as a wise Talmudist, Rabbi Isaac ben Jacob Alfassi, who was born in Morocco in 1013, and died at the age of ninety at Lucena, a town near Cordova, in Spain, which had so many prominent Jewish inhabitants that it was known as "the Jews' city."

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OUR NEW TASK

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YOUNG ISRAEL LETTER BOX

AUNTIE'S CORRESPONDENCE

RENEE SHLOIMOVITZ, Salford.—I am glad you think the certificate "really nice." I enjoyed your chatty letter, which made me ready to accept any excuse for your tardiness in writing. Go on reading but try to improve your taste in literature. Your requirements for a pen-pal remind me of the man who ordered a tender steak with no fat, lightly grilled, and to be sure there were no veins or gristle. The waiter just shouted: "Steak for one!"

VIVIENNE WOLFSON, Hove.—I shall be happy to make an exchange if you will return it. It rather looks as if the Bnei Akivah are flattering us by imitation. I shall be interested to hear about the concert. Many thanks to Ivor, Renee, and yourself for your gift.

RENEE WOLFSON, Hove.—I am glad you thought the prize "lovely" and found it "very interesting." The authoress is a friend of friends of mine and I am told she is now a very old lady but still retains her interest in young people and Nature. I am glad Ivor liked the certificate. Your competition entry is acknowledged.

MINNIE BERMAN, Derby.—I was pleased to execute your commission. It seemed delightfully warm.

MARGO BUDD, Kensington.—Welcome to the League! Communication is very slow at present, so you might have to wait.

PAMELA COLIN-RUSS, Reading.—I am pleased to enrol you. I am asking other evacuees in Reading to communicate with you.

RUTH COHEN, Plymouth.—I duly received your entry.

FLORA CORMAN, Hove.—I am glad you entered for the competition. Yes, it has been a real hard freeze. You were lucky to have such nice presents for your birthday.

JOSEPHINE CORMAN, Hove.—You certainly worked hard. I am glad you liked the certificate. I shall be interested to learn what your refugee friend thinks of it.

"E.S."—I am very grateful for your gift. There is always a time lag between receipt and acknowledgment, as my "copy" has to be prepared some time in advance of publication. They should be made payable to THE JEWISH CHRONICLE.

ESTELLE FIERSTONE, Swansea.—You seem to have been having a good time. Your gift is much appreciated.

CARMEL AND ABNER FINKELSTEIN, Stamford Hill.—Many thanks for your memorial donation.

JOAN GOLDSTONE, Southport.—Welcome to the League! You write very nicely. I am inserting your request. Many thanks for helping our Special Fund.

ELSIE JACOBS, Oakham.—I was much interested in your evacuation experiences. It was nice of the College to continue your scholarship. I am grateful for the farthings. I have added your entry to the big bundle.

NAOMI COOPER, Tottenham.—I am glad it met with your approval. Are you back permanently in London? Many thanks for your donation.

NEVILLE KRAUSZ, Sheffield.—Welcome to the League! I shall be pleased to receive any gift that you can afford to our Funds. I hope you will succeed in obtaining a nice pen-chum.

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Correspondents are sought by the following:

Muriel Marks, 2, Oakwell Gardens, Fitzroy Drive, Oakwood, Leeds, 8—14-16, living in England.

Renate Wolf, 25, Leicester Street, Southport, Lancs.—12-13, in England or the U.S.A., interested in stamps or sports.

Lily Bloom, 253, Albert Drive, Pollokshields, Glasgow, S.1—about 14, living in Africa or America.

"Nessie" Kopelman, 65, West India Dock Road, Poplar, London, E.14—about 12.

Anthony P. Matz, 25, Ravensway, Prestwich, Manchester—11-12.

Alma Stafford, 35, Egerton Road, Bournemouth—seniors residing in South Africa or America, or serving with the Forces.

Phyllis Elgrod, 26, Ventor Villas, Hove, Sussex—would like to hear again from Anita Winter.

Valerie Oliver, 4, Embassy Flats, Germain Street, Chesham, Bucks—about 15.

Cecilia Shein, 9, Bellefield Avenue, Dundee—seniors, living anywhere.

Renee Shloimovitz, 33, Howe Street, Salford, 7—about 16, living in Canada, interested in books, plays, or sports.

Margo Budd, Nevern Hotel, Nevern Square, London, S.W.5—in Palestine, about 16.

Pamela Colin-Russ, 23, Albert Road, Caversham, Reading—would like to hear from children living locally.

Neville Krausz, 9, Wilkinson Street, Sheffield, 10—12-14, interested in J.L.B., football, or cricket.

Joan Goldstone, 40, Ash Street, Southport—10-12, preferably living in Palestine, interested in writing stories or plays.

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THE YOUNG ISRAEL LEAGUE

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FINE RECORD OF JEWISH BOXER

Corporal in the R.A.F.

Corporal Jeff Cowan, of East London, as a schoolboy was attached to the West Ham Amateur Boxing Club and became champion of West Ham. He was presented on four occasions to the present King and his brothers, the Duke of Windsor and the Duke of Gloucester, during their visits to tournaments held at Rublic Hall, Canning Town, in aid of charities. At the age of seventeen, Cowan became a professional, and until the age of twenty-one he was engaged in about sixty contests, losing only four of them. A year later, he entered the light-weight division and gave a very excellent performance, winning all his twelve fights, eight by k.o. and four on points. In September last he joined the R.A.F. as a volunteer, and has had to give up boxing as a result, although good judges considered him a future champion. So keen has he been to gain distinction in the Service that he was made a corporal after only seven weeks with the colours.

THE JUDEAN CLUB

The Day and Evening Classes of the Education Department are designed to provide a centre in N.W. London for the development of the adult study of English and Jewish subjects.

In pursuance of this object the Education Committee of the Judean Club, besides giving instruction in the following subjects: English for Foreigners, English Life and Institutions, English History, First Aid, Modern Hebrew, Study Circle in Bible and Talmud, is prepared to do all in its power to organise the study of any other subject. Those interested should communicate with Dr. C. H. Moses, Chairman of the Education Committee, at 152, Abbey Road, N.W.6. Students can be enrolled at the Club, 35, Abbey Road, N.W.8, from 9.45 to 10.45 a.m. on Sundays, and from 5 to 6 p.m. on Wednesdays.

GLASGOW BAR COCHBA

At the recent annual meeting of the Bar Cochba, Mr. B. Furst said that, despite the war, new sections had been formed and were progressing favourably. The following were elected: Messrs. B. Furst, Chairman; J. Furst, Vice-Chairman; C. Diamond, Treasurer; H. Novilsky, Organising Secretary; I. Joseph, Correspondence Secretary; Miss M. Waitzer, Recording Secretary; and Messrs. S. Shafer and L. Schuster, Auditors.

UNIVERSITY NEWS

The Oxford University Jewish Society held a successful meeting last week at St. Hilda's College, with the President, Mr. I. Kissin (St. Catherine's) in the chair. Mr. Cecil Roth spoke on "Was there a Jewish Art?" At a previous meeting, Mr. Gershon Hirsch (Brasenose) reported on the recent conference of the Inter-University Jewish Federation at Leeds.

Dr. Reuben Levy (of Cambridge) delivered a lecture at Balliol College, Oxford, in a special course on "The Near East from 378 to 1878," arranged by the Regius Professor of Modern History. Dr. Levy's subject was "The Arab Caliphate and the Islamic Civilisation."

Mr. V. Herzog, continuing his series of study circles on The History of Zionism, addressed the University College, London, Jewish Students' Society at Aberystwyth recently on "The Birth of the Mandate." Mr. Asher Fishman presided. The following took part in the discussion: the Misses T. V. Samuel and W. E. Unger and Messrs. L. Greenberg, D. Schaverein, L. Sieve, S. Gross, M. Knorpel, and A. Liverhant.

Every Wednesday afternoon, at 4 o'clock, a meeting of the University of Manchester Jewish Society's Study Group on "Jewish Peace Aims" is held at the University Union, Burlington Street, under the direction of Dr. A. Löwe, Lecturer in Economics at the University. All interested are invited to attend this study group.

Mr. Israel I. Cohen, of 45, Colchester Avenue, Penylan, Cardiff, has been elected Treasurer of the University of Wales Jewish Students' Union in succession to Mr. Arthur J. Goldberg, now on active service.

Among recent successes of medical students are the following: Third M.B., Manchester University: S. S. Rose; Conjoint Board, Midwifery Examination: R. J. Gampell (Manchester), A. S. Veeder (Manchester); Surgery Examination: Ella Schwartzman (Royal Free).

The following were among those called to the Bar at the Inns of Court recently: Middle Temple: G. J. Bean, LL.M., Liverpool University; Gray's Inn: Katharine M. Jaffe, L.L.M., University of London. Mr. G. J. Bean (mentioned above) is a former President of the Guild of Undergraduates of the University of Liverpool and the first member of the Jewish Community to hold this office.

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In the latest appeal against the refusal of the Military Service (Hardship) Committee to grant a postponement certificate, a part-time student was concerned who had completed six years of a seven-year evening course in mechanical engineering at a technical institute. The Umpire pointed out that unless the applicant attended evening classes until May this year he would not be able to sit for the examination the passing of which would qualify him for an engineering career. He was granted postponement till April 2, when he can apply for a renewal.

Forthcoming examinations of Matriculation and similar standard include the following (the last date of entry is in parentheses in each case): Oxford, Higher, School, and Junior Certificates, July 11 (May 8); Cambridge Higher, School, and Junior Certificates, July 10 (May 11); Oxford and Cambridge Schools Examination Board, School and Higher Certificates, July 25 (May 10); London Matriculation, June 4 (April 24); Northern Universities School Certificate, June 28 (April 25), Higher, June 24 (April 25).

Inquiries from readers who require advice relating to careers and education, in whatever branch, are invited. When writing, all the relevant details should be clearly stated where a specific case is under discussion. Letters should be addressed to:

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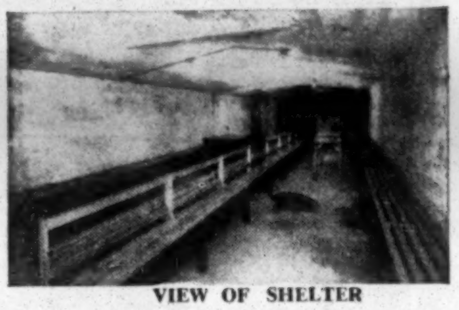

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Investments and Securities

Stock Exchange business still runs strongly on investment lines. There seems to be a temporary halt in the purchase of British Government securities, and values have come back slightly from the very top levels recently reached. This position, however, causes no anxiety.

No market can continue buoyant and on the upgrade without occasionally pausing in order to consolidate the position gained. That is probably the situation in connection with the Funds. Interest in Government stocks is likely to be sustained until important war loans are launched.

Railway stocks command widespread attention. This is associated with the publication of the Government terms for control during the war period. Industrial debentures and preference shares have a substantial following, but supplies are now extremely short.

Company Meeting

LLOYDS BANK LIMITED

BANKERS AND THE WAR

LORD WARDINGTON'S ADDRESS

The annual meeting of Lloyds Bank, Limited, was held on February 2 at the Head Office, 71, Lombard Street, London.

Lord Wardington, the Chairman, in the course of his speech, expressed gratitude to the staff for their ungrudging services and sympathy with them for their added labours and willing co-operation in meeting the difficulties and inconveniences caused by the abnormal conditions, arising from withdrawals for National Service and work involved by Government regulations, decentralisation, air raid precautions, etc.

Continuing, he said: Our current, deposit, and other accounts standing at over £433,000,000 constitute a record in our history, and show an increase over last year of nearly £36,000,000. Our acceptances, endorsements, etc., together show a reduction of £11,000,000, which you would naturally expect in the circumstances.

On our assets side, we see a £6,000,000 increase in our cash items, and the large increase of £29,000,000 in our holding of Treasury Bills, one of the least productive forms of assets, but of course highly liquid.

Under the heading of investments there is a welcome change from long-dated to short-dated securities, the former having fallen by nearly £11,500,000 and the latter having increased by £9,500,000. In these days, when such violent changes in the market quotation of investments are liable to take place, it is comforting to know that there can be no doubt as to the ultimate value of so large a proportion of our investments in a few years time.

Our loans and advances, somewhat surprisingly, show a decline of more than £5,000,000. This, I think, must be attributed not to any one reason but to a varity of causes. The whole stocks of certain staple commodities in this country have been acquired by the Government and are being carried by them rather than by our customers.

COMPARISON WITH 1914-19

The profit and loss account shows a net amount brought in for the year somewhat smaller than that of the previous year, in common with the accounts of nearly all other banks. The reasons for this in present circumstances are too well known to require any explanation, and I think, when the dislocation of business and the many added expenses caused by the war are taken into consideration, it is a matter for congratulation that the profit is no smaller than it is. I know there are some people, to judge from their writings and speeches, who seem to think that the country would be stronger if the banks were weaker, and are obsessed by the fear lest banking profits should be increased in consequence of the war. They cite the last war as an example of what may happen.

The position, however, is very different now from what it was in the year 1914 and those following. Broadly speaking, there was no increase in bank dividends during the last war, and increased profits were used to strengthen the position of the banks, a fact which surely is as much in the interest of the country as it is in that of the banks themselves and their depositors. The present war brings some new features, and the result on banks will not in many ways be the same as during the last war. We may see—indeed we have already seen—some increase in our deposits, but the facilities for using them profitably are not comparable with those existing previously. Bank Rate is much lower than it was; our investments do not earn nearly such a high rate of interest; our expenses are greater; our proportion of advances to deposits is much lower than in 1914; while our liability to depreciation on the largely increased investment total is certainly no less than it was. It is highly necessary, therefore, that we should be able to make reasonable profits, and if we succeed in doing so beyond our standard under Excess Profits Tax, a large proportion will be taken by the Chancellor of the Exchequer.

Greatly fluctuating profits, however, whether in an upward or downward direction, are not our desire. We much prefer stability and strength, and it is to be hoped that we may be able to continue earning a reasonable profit, which will enable us to make allocations to our reserves against the unknown.

IMPORTANCE OF EXPORT TRADE

A year ago, most of the Bank Chairmen spoke of the importance of the maintenance of our export trade. If that was true then, it is immensely more so now. Even those least acquainted with the problems of economics realise the absolute necessity of keeping up, and indeed of increasing, our exports. The vast amount of imports which it is essential for us to receive for our daily food and for the means of prosecuting the war can only be paid for out of our foreign investments, our stock of gold, or our exports. The two former are limited in amount, and in the last resort we rely on our exports.

There is an unique opportunity of gaining fresh markets for these, owing to the fact that Germany is largely cut off from her former trading grounds, but our industrialists have experienced considerable difficulty in doing all that they desire in this respect.

The report and accounts were adopted, and the proposed final dividends of 6 per cent. actual on the "A" shares and 2½ per cent. actual on the "B" shares, less tax, were approved.

Extended hours of dealing on the Stock Exchange have not so far been attended with material increase in the volume of trading, but there is a belief in greater market activity with attention eventually switched on to equities.

COMING WAR BORROWING

An exchange of the 4½ per cent. Conversion 1940-44 loan into a 2 per cent. three to five-year loan has now been completed. Holders of the 4½ per cent. Conversion had to give notice by last Thursday of the intention of taking cash for the holding.

Unless such notice had been given, holders of the Conversion Loan will be automatically transferred into the new 2 per cent. loan. That will be from July 1 next, which is also the date for cash repayments.

Now that this financial operation of the Treasury is to all intents and purposes over, the way is open for important long-term war borrowing. When that has been completed, some relaxation on the ban on new capital issues is to be expected. Home corporations with high interest-bearing loans, which, under the terms of issue can be repaid or converted this year, may receive the necessary permission from the Treasury to effect conversion when the new War Loan has been successfully launched.

LLOYDS BANK MEETING

Special attention has been directed by Lord Wardington, the Chairman of Lloyds Bank, to the problem of rising costs and the claim that wages should be adjusted to meet the higher cost of living. He was addressing shareholders of the Bank at the annual meeting.

Lord Wardington asked "has anyone the right to say that he ought to be as well off in war as he is in peacetimes?" A man was no better off even though his nominal income was doubled if the result was that prices doubled as well. There were four suggested remedies.

These were higher taxation, rationing, payment of wages partly in cash and partly in deferred loan certificates, and the voluntary abstention from buying those things which are scarce or which have to be purchased from abroad.

The last remedy was the only one in which the private individual could take the initiative. The individual was definitely asked to do so in the interests of the country and to lend what he saved by doing so to the Government.

POWER SECURITIES

Power Securities Corporation, which was registered in 1932, has an excellent dividend record. For many years, the ordinary dividend has been a regular 7 per cent. This distribution is again forthcoming for the year to December 31 last.

The Company, which is under the Chairmanship of Mr. George Balfour, J.P., M.P., was formed to conduct a general finance business. It directs its activities particularly to the development of electrical and allied undertakings. Income for the year to December 31 last showed some contraction at £108,541, against £137,363 previously.

After providing for all expenses, including income tax and N.D.C., the available balance is £75,898, against £95,298. General Reserve this time secures £15,000, against £30,000. After meeting preference dividend and 7 per cent. on the ordinary, a sum of £17,455 is carried forward, against £15,707 brought in.

Investments, loans, and participations stand in the balance-sheet at £1,145,268, and investments in subsidiary companies, including a £50,000 loan, at £507,529. The Directors are of the opinion that the aggregate value of such holdings exceeds the balance-sheet figures.

THOMAS TILLING RESULTS

An increase in the profit of Thomas Tilling, Ltd., for 1939 from £512,195 to £531.019 caused much satisfaction. From the year's profits £100,000 goes to General Reserve, while the ordinary dividend is repeated at 10 per cent., with £180,615 carried forward against £178,096 brought in.

This Company, which was once a prominent London transport undertaking, must now be regarded in the light of an investment trust. Its London omnibus business was sold to the London Passenger Transport Board in 1933. It received in exchange Transport Board stocks.

JOSEPH NATHAN BONUS

During a most difficult year to September 30 last Joseph Nathan and Company famed as the proprietors of "Glaxo" had income of £149,997 against £138,811 previously. Such income comes mainly from dividends and interest from subsidiary companies. As in the case of other concerns, tax provision last year required £26,000 against £16,000. As a result the net profit is £88,510 against £90,647 previously. This result must be regarded as particularly satisfactory.

Dividend on the issued ordinary capital is maintained at 10 per cent. as for the preceding two years. In addition, it is proposed to distribute a scrip bonus of three ordinary 1s. shares for every two shares held. It is intended to convert the shares into stock transferable in units of 10s. There is a transfer of £50,000 to General Reserve, while the carry forward is lowered from £51,780 to £36,105. The directors hope to maintain the 10 per cent. dividend on the increased capital.

With most of the business now conducted through subsidiaries, Mr. Alec Nathan who has given 35 years of devoted whole-time service to the company, relinquishes the post of managing director although remaining chairman. As a mark of esteem the directors are granting him £12,500 for the loss of office, a pension of £3,300 a year less tax, for life, to be reduced to £1,500 for his wife should she survive him.

City Editor

TRAVEL NOTES AND NEWS

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HOLLAND AMERICA REDUCE RATES

The London Manager of the Holland America Line, of 126, Pall Mall, S.W.1, informs me that the one-way rate from Southampton to New York by the Westernland and Pennland has been reduced from £43 to £36. Both these ships are one class only, a very high grade of tourist-third, and have been completely overhauled recently. The first sailings from Southampton are scheduled for early in March, and I shall be glad to advise readers who propose to travel about that time.

Ship's Shomer on Active Service

I have heard recently from Mr. J. P. Lunzer, who will be remembered as the popular Acting Jewish Supervisor in the Cunard White Star liner Mauretania. Mr. Lunzer is now on active service as a naval gunner, classed as an officer, in a 4,000-ton ship (which, he remarks, is "a bit different from the 35,000-ton 'Maury'!").

Here and There

The Secretary of the London Office of the Foire de Paris—the well-known international trade fair—writes bravely from 17, Tothill Street, S.W.1, "Encouraged by offers of support from all quarters and undaunted by the unknown risks that lie ahead, the Committee of the Foire de Paris announce their thirty-second annual Trade Fair will be held from May 11 till May 27 next." . . . Inquiries for passages to Palestine are passed on by me to Peltours, Ltd., of 8, Waterloo Place, London, S.W.1, who are specialists in this branch of business. Already I have had a number of letters of appreciation of the excellent service they give. . . . Miss A. Cline, one of those I confidently recommended to take an Orient Line steamer when they wished to travel to Australia, writes me that she and her family have arrived at Sydney safely. . . . The censorship authorities are endeavouring to obviate the delay caused by examinations at ports of exit by opening travel examination sections in London, Liverpool, and Glasgow, where baggage and documents will be passed and will not be subject to further scrutiny.

"Green Flag."

A Reception in honour of Professor Brodetsky and Mr. Neville Laski, K.C., is to be given by the Anglo-Palestinian Club on Sunday, February 18. Mr. Simon Marks will preside.

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Entertainments

THEATRES

"Jeannie"

Torch Theatre Production

In this charming little play, Miss Aimee Stewart reveals her adroitness in creating a pleasing story and in building characters which are amiably odd.

The heroine escapes from domestic drudgery to taste the romance of travel in the form of a holiday in Vienna. Who could believe the gods would be so muddy-minded as to allow the enterprise to proceed barren of adventure? Of course not; and Miss Stewart brings correctly adjusted adventure to the little heroine through the contrast of two gallant males, one solid and Yorkshire. the other Austrian, aristocratic, and as lacking in the sterner substances—including money—as he is richly equipped with the captivating graces. The production shows us Barbara Mullen, a young actress of very great promise, giving the right distinction and consistency to the heroine. Eric Portman gives a grand performance as the solid male; and Albert Lieven brings a deftly light touch to the impecunious Viennese. In all a most enjoyable little play.

"The Impossible She"

New Play at the Richmond

The author of this new play, L. E. Jones, has courage and humour.

He has had the pluck to dare to reveal on the stage his lively and opinionated attitude to the various problems of life, and the cheerful disposition to employ fantastic comedy with something like spirit to provide the occasion for his animadversions. His medium is a kind of female robot who descends upon a country house and proceeds to air her views on things in general. This part is played by Sybille Binder, who, perhaps with some reason, lays an artificial stress on the creature's origin. Basil Foster makes a charming fellow of the man whose heart succumbs to the robot. Eric Cowley, Vincent Lawson, Hilda Bayley, and Anne Somerset all provide the best that opportunity permits.

Non-Stop at the Prince of Wales

Douglas Byng Joins the Cast

"Revue des Alliés," the spectacular non-stop revue at the Prince of Wales Theatre, has been joined by Douglas Byng, who brings some most amusing stories and a very daringly funny song to the show.

This slick sequence of costume, dancing, and speciality acts is also marked by some very clever juggling by Mariora, excellent mimicry by Navarre, and some unusual hand-balancing feats by the Izuka Brothers.

"Eve on Parade"

Second Edition

The second edition of this revue at the Garrick Theatre is the result of a very severe overhauling of the original show.

The result is quite excellent. All the best of the old is left, and all that is new is of the best. Amongst the individual performances there is first-rate acrobatic dancing from Karina, Vadio, and Hertz; an unusual and clever piano performance by Freddie Bamberger; while Gillie Potter, who now joins the show, is quite at his funniest.

G.J.

A Refugee Viennese Theatre

The little theatre at 153, Finchley Road was packed last week when the première of the new show "From Adam to Adolf" was given by "The Lantern."

A series of sketches, some of them brilliantly witty, show the unbroken spirit of optimism that rules these refugee actors, artists and authors. It was tragic to note in the programme that Jura, the author of one of the most amusing items, has been murdered by the Nazis in a concentration camp. Jura was one of the regular contributors to the "Lantern" when it was called "Literatur am Naschmarkt" or "Stachelbeere" in Vienna, and his witty criticism repeatedly roused the anger of the local Nazis.

DANCE BAND NEWS

Harry Roy's Band has been given provisional notice from the Garrick Theatre show "Eve on Parade," which is being revised.

Harry Lewis, clarinet, is leaving Jack Harris's Band to join Ambrose Octet stage show.

Harold Berens, compère, is busy working night clubs under the direction of Leonard Urry, the well-known agent.

Celia Lipton is now recording solo on Columbia Records.

Maurice Winnick has not yet chosen a crooner for his band, but expects to choose one this week from the many hundreds who have written to him.

Harry Leader's "Swing With A Swing" broadcast will be repeated on Monday week.

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CINEMA

"THE LION HAS WINGS"

Public Reactions Analysed

[By our Cinema Correspondent]

This month's "Documentary News Letter" contains some interesting notes made by the Mass Observation Organisation on audience reactions to "The Lion Has Wings."

Observers noted the response of the audience to the film at the Leicester Square Theatre, at Cricklewood, at Tottenham Court Road, Streatham, and "Worktown." Altogether, 143 incidents in the film gained responses from the audiences, but only eight sequences got a response at every show. These were:

1. First sight of the King at his Scottish camp (clapping).
2. First sight of Hitler (boos or hisses).
3. Second sight of Hitler (boos or hisses).
4. Sight of children being looked after in opening sequence (murmurs of sympathy).
5. Commentator's remark about "Scotsmen throwing heavy things about" (laughter).
6. The Royal Family doing "The Chestnut Tree" (loud laughter).
7. An airman on the Kiel raid deciding that his party will have to be put off till the next day (laughter).
8. The pilot asking his operator to get Mr. Middleton on the wireless (laughter).

The end of the film was generally clapped very half-heartedly, and not at all at "Worktown." The film was widely seen, and in at least two cinemas it broke all existing records.

Of 200 people interviewed the week before the Xmas-time holidays, fifty-five per cent. had seen the film, seventy-one per cent. of those who had seen it said they had liked it, thirty-eight per cent. liking it very much, these being mainly women, and, to a lesser extent, elderly men. Of all who had seen it, forty-four per cent. found something positive to praise; forty-three per cent. criticised the lack of story; and twenty-seven per cent. criticised the propaganda element.

What most won public confidence in the picture was the humour of everyday life.

Mass Observation, whose offices are at 82, Ladbroke Road, W.11, have this week brought out the first of a series of weekly news-letters. It is proposed to devote part of every fifth letter to film matters.

"HUNCHBACK OF NOTRE DAME"—Gaumont ("A" Certificate)

Paris in the fifteenth century, just after the Hundred Years' War: what a swarming, exciting, miserable and beautiful, merry and mournful place it must have been! For two hours we are living in it: just outside the grey walls of Notre Dame, and occasionally inside, up among the great bells that sound out over Paris to-day as then, in joy and sorrow, to great and small, rich and poor. From the first few crowd shots with which the picture opens, a tempo of excitement and drama is set, and as the crowds gradually converge on the three or four individual actors whose story of interwoven tragedy and happiness is to be told, so the atmosphere of impending event intensifies.

That atmosphere of tension, of vivid, exciting drama going on amid those old houses and behind the grey walls of palace, prison, and cathedral, never slackens for one moment, it only rises and falls a little as the rhythm of the events dictates. To say that there is not one dull moment in the picture is a feeble way of putting it: rarely has a film been carried through on so consistently high a maintenance of interest. The principal characters are all superbly right, there is no running away with the film on the part of any one actor, and, grim and at times horrible as is Charles Laughton's delineation of Quasimodo the hunchback, never is that note allowed to overwhelm the rest.

Indeed, in some ways Sir Cedric Hardwicke's study of Frollo, the Chief Justice, is far more sinister in its superstitious obscurantism and relentless destruction of all joy, beauty, enlightenment. Maureen O'Hara as Esmeralda could not be surpassed: she is a creature of natural beauty and grace who supplies the overtone of light and colour. But every actor—Walter Hampden as the Archbishop, Thomas Mitchell as Clopin, king of the beggars, Harry Davenport as Louis XIth, Edmond O'Brien as Gringoire—all carry their parts as to the manner born.

Yet beyond and above all the individual work rise the ancient towers of Notre Dame, symbolising sanctuary and peace, and the seething tempo of common life with all its miseries and struggles to achieve a little less misery. This film must surely become one of the immortals of the screen.

"CRISIS IN THE PACIFIC" (March of Time)

Here is another excellent contribution to the pictorial study of history in the making. The war in Europe is cleverly linked up with the half-forgotten war in China, and thence, through Hongkong and the Pacific, the strategic importance of certain little islands in that vast ocean is emphasised. So we arrive at Guam, the potential bomb on Japan's front doorstep, which so far the American legislative bodies have refused permission to the U.S.A. Government to fortify. But it will be—if this "March of Time" gains its persuasive ends. And, in any case, other islands are already being fortified. And so the civilisation bug is hopping across the Pacific! Time Marches On!

OPERAS AND BALLET

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"A CHUMP AT OXFORD"—London Pavilion ("U" Certificate)

There are, of course, really two chumps at Oxford, if not more. And those who like Laurel and Hardy knockabout and funny business will enjoy quite a lot of this film. What if some of the jokes are old and some of the business hoary? It all depends on the dressing, as Stan considered when he served the salad undressed. The jape played on the two chumps by undergraduates when the new freshers get lost in the maze is third-hand, too, but it is none the less absurdly funny for that.

So we go from episode to episode, and if the continuity is not all that can be desired, well, there was a bad break in Stan's continuity when the window came down on his head. Here a chance of a good rag was ignored for the sake of maintaining Stan's new character as Lord Paddington, but one would dearly have loved to see him winning all those athletic trophies, and still more to hear him discussing relativity with Professor Einstein!

"HELL'S KITCHEN"—Regal ("H" Certificate)

If you are willing to swallow the initial fact that a racketeer on parole is permitted to take over the management of a shelter for homeless boys, then you will enjoy this film. Stanley Fields is the gangster bent on reforming himself, but at the Hudson Shelter he finds a far worse state of affairs than his own mismanaged life. The head of the shelter is a sadistic bully who pockets all donations and treats the boys like hardened criminals.

Golden-hearted Stanley takes over, runs the place on the model of "Boys' Town," and all the Dead-End Kids are happy. But the frame-up has to come. The deposed head of the shelter gets together with a disgruntled gangster and there is hell to pay at an ice-hockey match. If you like to sit comfortably and watch others get bashed, here is your sequence.

So the old head returns and the ex-gangster is discredited, but the boys revolt and their Squeers is shown up for what he is. The best moment comes at the end, when Stanley Fields uses himself as an object lesson to the boys before he goes to prison for his part in the hockey match incident. "It's all right that you should like me," he says, "but don't grow up like me. I got so far, I couldn't stop."

Billy Halop and Bobby Jordan give first-rate characteristic performances as two of the boys, and Margaret Lindsay and Ronald Reagan make the most of small parts, but it is Stanley Fields's picture.

Incidentally, why a "horrific" certificate? Far worse gangster and prison dramas get away with an "A."

Next week's general releases include "The Rains Came," "Melody of Youth," "The Light That Failed," "Stop, Look, and Love," "The Cat and the Canary," "Mr. Chedworth Steps Out," and "Fast and Furious."

MUSIC

PHILHARMONIC AT QUEEN'S HALL

A Suite From John Field

The Royal Philharmonic Society's attempt to return to evening concerts at Queen's Hall was not supported so extensively as one would have expected. Possibly the time of starting, seven o'clock, had something to do with it. Those who were not present and should have been, missed an excellent evening's music, with Sir Hamilton Harty skilfully and artfully leading the London Philharmonic Orchestra through a programme ranging from transcribed John Field to Sibelius.

Moiseiwitch played the solo instrument in the Schumann Pianoforte Concerto, but while all the notes were there, and the playing was well up to the artist's standards, one judges that temperamentally he is not an ideal interpreter of Schumann. The John Field Suite, which Sir Hamilton Harty had transcribed, revived some forgotten glories of this pre-Chopin pianistic composer, and served to remind us that England had her own important contributor to the development of modern pianowork forms.

HARTY'S VIOLIN CONCERTO

Sir Hamilton Harty was also the guest conductor at the New Metropolitan Symphony Orchestra's concert at Central Hall. He took charge for his own composition, the Violin Concerto, and, with Norbert Wethmar ably playing the solo instrument, persuaded a good audience that there is a great deal in its romantic charm. Trefor Jones sang Handel and Gounod arias with great effect, and the rest of a programme which was reasonably popular without pandering to cruder tastes went with a fine verve with Serge Krish in command of the orchestra.

ISOLDE MENGES AND VIVIAN LANGRISH

Now that recitals are so few and far between, one by Isolde Menges is more welcome than ever. With Vivian Langrish, at the Wigmore Hall, she gave great pleasure in three sonatas, by Brahms, Beethoven and Franck. In all, the performance was unusually marked by sensitivity and a flowing, easy precision which conceded nothing to slipshoddiness, yet was never lacking in vitality. The Brahms sonata was intellectually a little more remote from the artists than the Beethoven, which, with all its difficulty, fairly swept its way along, except in the Adagio Cantabile, which was as beautifully sung as one could desire.

Among light musicians who are broadcasting next week are Harry Engleman's Quintet, Alfred Van Dam and his State Orchestra (Sunday); Rawicz and Landauer in pianoforte duets (Monday); Geiger and his Orchestra (Tuesday); and the Commodore Grand Orchestra under Harry Davidson (Thursday).

VARIETY ARTISTS' LADIES' GUILD

A concert, organised by the Variety Artists' Ladies' Guild and Orphanage, in aid of the orphan children, widows, sick, and deserving poor of the variety profession, will be held at the Palace Theatre, on Sunday evening, May 5, when Miss Gracie Fields, the President, will appear. Any kind friends who are able to join the Concert Committee and assist in a practical way by selling tickets, etc., are asked to offer their services to the Secretary, Variety Artists' Ladies' Guild, 18, Charing Cross Road, W.C.2. (Temple Bar 5139.)

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